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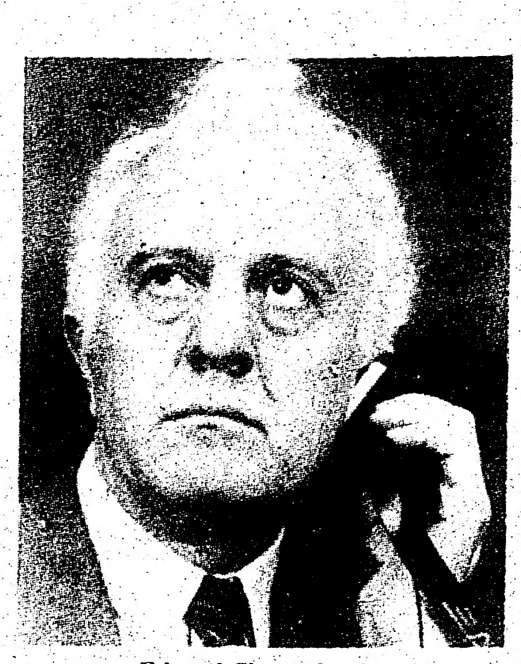

Eduard Shevardnadze

Meeting with Soviet "useful," says Shamir

By YITZHAK RABI

NEW YORK (JTA) — An Israeli consular delegation will go to Moscow in the middle of next month and may be allowed to deal with matters relating to Soviet Jewish emigration, Premier Yitzhak Shamir announced last week.

Shamir informed Israeli correspondents of the development after emerging from a meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze that lasted one hour and 40 minutes.

At his own meeting with reporters later, Shevardnadze confirmed that the Israeli delegation would be coming to Moscow in mid-July. But asked whether the Israeli officials would be allowed to issue visas in Moscow, he replied "no."

He said the Israel visit would be in reciprocation for the Soviet consular delegation that has been in Israel since July of 1987, officially to look after property of the Russian Orthodox Church. He praised the way the Israelis treated the Soviet delegation, whose visas were recently extended.

Shamir described his session with Shevardnadze as a "very interesting meeting and very thorough, in which each side had an opportunity to present its positions and explain them." It was Shamir's first meeting with a Soviet foreign minister since his talks with Andrei Gromyko in New York in 1984.

The Israeli Premier told reporters that their conversation was "friendly, productive and useful." He said the main topics they covered were Soviet Jews and their emigration, the Middle East conflict, and relations between Israel and the Soviet Union.

But Shevardnadze, while describing their meeting as "very useful," told reporters in reply to a question that he does not see it as leading to a "new stage" in relations between the two countries. The Soviet Union severed diplomatic ties with Israel 21 years ago, after the Six Day War.

Shamir said he told Shevardnadze that Israel wants all Jews who wish to emigrate to their homeland to be allowed to do so. He also said Jews who live in the Soviet Union should be allowed to practice their religion and culture freely.

According to Shamir, the Soviet foreign minister said that in his view, there are no difficulties for Jews wishing to leave the USSR and that the Soviet authorities do not

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Orthodox fiercely oppose bill

Electoral change proposed

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The Knesset was almost empty last week during most of the first reading of a bill that could revolutionize the country's political life.

The bill proposed two possibilities for changing the system by which the Knesset is elected.

The first would divide the country into 20 electoral districts, each returning four Knesset members (MKs), and the remaining 40 MKs would be selected on a national list as they are at present. This proposal is endorsed by the Knesset's law committee.

The second proposal, largely an initiative of Tel Aviv University professors and sponsored by a long list of MKs, divides the country into 60 electoral districts, each returning one MK. The remaining 60 would be elected on a national list.

The speeches of support indicated that MKs of all parties saw good and bad in both proposals and that a successful bill would probably be a compromise of the two.

Introducing the measure, law committee chairman Eli Kulas said the reform would strengthen the links between voters and Knesset members, and that would serve democracy. He added that popular support for the bill was proven by several public opinion polls.

But Mapam's Chaika Grossman disagreed. Strengthening the ties between electorate and elected depends solely on the elected deputies proving their worth, she said. Local constituency representatives were not necessary because the real problems were national, not local, she added.

The National Religious Party's Avner Shaki went further. The system would deprive large sections of the electorate any share of the vote, he insisted, because religious voters had not ghettoized themselves in pockets throughout the country.

All the Orthodox factions fiercely oppose reform. So do all the other small factions, except the Citizens Rights Movement and Shinui-Centre.

Although the Knesset members know their vote will be crucial, they seemed uninterested in listening to each other's views on electoral reform.

They knew that the vote would be held later, perhaps next week. When Kulas was introducing his committee's proposal in two alternative versions, about 30 MKs were there to hear him. After he sat down, many of these left.

Washington urged to prod Soviets on Ethiopians

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A Jew from Ethiopia has urged the United States to use the "good atmosphere" in U.S.-Soviet relations following the Moscow summit to prod the Soviets into pressuring Ethiopia to allow the remaining 8,000 to 20,000 Jews there to emigrate to Israel.

Solomon M., whose last name remains a secret so as not to jeopardize the fate of his brother and uncle in jail in Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, as well as two other siblings, told a few dozen congressional aides and Jewish activists on Capitol Hill that he still is not "absolutely free."

"I go to work, I go to school. Physically, I am there," said Solomon M., who is studying at the University of California at Los Angeles. "But I am not always there mentally."

An estimated 16,000 Ethiopian Jews now live in Israel, said William Recant, director of the Ameri[illegible] Association for [illegible]pian Jews. But 1,500 of the children have parents who are still in Ethiopia.

There are about 60 to 70 Ethiopian Jews still in the Sudan, Recant said. About 7,000 Jews were rescued from refugee camps there during the U.S.-Israeli secret airlifts in 1984 and 1985, Operations Moses and Joshua, he said.

Solomon M. called on Ethiopian Jewry activists to be "more vocal" in calling attention to their cause, while acknowledging that he could not disclose anything dramatic for fear that it would "rock the boat." He did say that the movement of Jews out of Ethiopia recently has been a "bare trickle."

Thaw produces Mideast impact

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The change in American-Soviet relations, underscored at the recent Moscow summit, is having a dramatic impact in the Middle East.

Perhaps the most significant remark attributed to U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz, in his latest swing through the region, was reported by journalists after Shultz's long meeting last week with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus.

The secretary was quoted as saying it was astonishing that the parties involved in the Middle East conflict seem to have dug into their hardline positions while the two superpowers were moving toward agreement.

By adversely contrasting the rigidity of the regional leaders with the newly found flexibility between the superpowers, Shultz was plainly referring to Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir, as well as to Assad.

His pointed characterization of his working session with Shamir as "frank," as well as leaked reports of his cables to Washington, indicated the secretary was as angry and frustrated as ever with what he regards as stonewalling by Shamir.

Shultz's exasperation seemed to be reflected in the wry remarks from White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater. He poured cold water on any upbeat speculation that Middle East peace prospects are any better than they have been for 2,000 years.

Significantly, Shultz allowed much of his displeasure with Shamir's Likud half of the Israeli government to spill out in his public pronouncements.

He made a point of stressing the land-for-peace equation as the basis of UN Security Council Resolution 242, on both his arrivals in Israel and in Amman, Jordan.

At Ben-Gurion Airport, Shultz warned vigorously that "the continued occupa-

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Arabs promise $400M for uprising

ALGIERS — The Arab summit here pledged last week to channel about $400 million a year to the Palestinian uprising in the territories.

The pledge came at the end of the 3-day Arab League meeting in the Algerian capital.

Observers said the funds would be channeled through the PLO.

Earlier, Arab leaders gathered here listed their conditions for participating in Arab-Israeli peace talks:

- The return of territories taken by Israel in the 1967 war.
- The participation of all parties, including the PLO and the five permanent members of the UN Security Council.
- The establishment of an independent Palestinian state.

The communique said talks should be held under the umbrella of an international conference with full decision-making powers.

Alberta's overturning hate law prompts call for appeal

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — In a decision that has stunned leaders of the Canadian Jewish community, the Alberta Court of Appeal has struck down the law introduced to protect minorities from racial and religous vilification.

The decision, announced last week in Calgary, renders Canada's anti-hate law "of no force and effect" in Alberta. It also overturns the conviction and $5,000 fine meted out by the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench to former Eckville school teacher Jim Keegstra for promoting hatred against Jews

Keegstra was convicted under the now defunct law in July 1985 for teaching his social studies classes that Jews fomented revolutions and wars, were evil and had lied about the Holocaust.

In a 50-page judgment, Justice R.P. Kerans, writing for the Appeal Court, ruled section 281.2(2) of the Criminal Code invalid for violating two major constitutional grounds:

- for breaching guarantees under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms of the right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty.
- for abridging the Charter right to free expression.

The 3-judge panel added that the hate law was not a "demonstrably justified" limit on free expression, since it does not require that someone come to hate another person as a result of the offensive speech.

Spokesmen for Jewish groups reacted with shock and disbelief at the decision, and called for an appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada for a definitive ruling.

Jim Keegstra

Though rumors had been circulating that the Appeal Court would overturn the conviction, no one expected it to overturn the law itself, said Alan Shefman, a spokesman for the League of Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada.

In making its decision, the court had not commented on Keegstra's beliefs or in any way vindicated them, he added.

"I'm surprised it was overturned on those grounds,' said Manuel Prutschi, executive director of the national joint community relations committee of Canadian Jewish Congress.

"The constitutionality of that particular law had been upheld in a separate challenge," he said, pointing to the decision of a lower Alberta court prior to the 1985 Keegstra trial in which a Queen's Bench judge had ruled the section did not offend the Charter.

Prutschi also noted that a 5-justice panel of the Ontario Court of Appeal had ruled in the Ernst Zundel case that another section of the Code used against hatemongers — the section 177 "false news" provision — did not offend the Charter's guarantee of free speech.

Len Dolgoy, spokesman for the Jewish Federation of Edmonton, said "some people in the community were just shocked" at the decision in the Keegstra case "because the law itself was overturned. We expected after the long delay (the appeal was heard in April 1987) that a new trial (would be ordered), but we didn't expect the statute would be thrown out."

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World-National

Holocaust book may spur racism

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

An open letter to Hon. Elmer MacKay, Minister of National Revenue:

Dear Mr. Minister:

Recently a certain book has been imported into Canada which has raised considerable concerns among those of us who do not like to see existing sparks of inter-group tensions fanned into open flames. The book has been called to your department's attention, but it has been judged to be acceptable on the whole and that therefore Canadians ought not be deprived of reading it.

Rabbi Plaut

May I take a few moments of your time to acquaint you with some of the salient facts.

The book written by Yuri Chumatskij, is called *Why Is One Holocaust Worth More Than Others?* It was published in Australia by the Veterans of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army. The main burden of the publication is to show that Ukrainians suffered grievously at the hands of the Soviets and that the death of millions of them who died during the war and in the post-war years, and especially during the famine of the 1930s, deserves to be seen in its full extent. That, Mr. Minister, is without doubt an important theme worthy of historical inquiry and exposition.

Jews depicted as despicable

But the book exceeds this basic theme when it laces its pages with repeated attacks on the Jewish people who are depicted as international conspirators, disloyal citizens, swindlers, warmongers, and altogether as despicable human beings. By doing so the book clearly violates your own departmental guidelines.

Julian Porter, the renowned attorney, has come to this very conclusion and the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Race Relations agreed with him. It appealed to you to review the decision of your department to admit the book despite the amplitude of passages which can only serve to increase tensions between the Ukrainian and Jewish communities of Canada and thereby injure the social fabric of our country.

While admitting that there are repeated anti-semitic slurs in the book, your department takes the view that "on the whole" the treatise is not objectionable. However, this ruling violates an established principle in human rights jurisprudence.

Blatantly anti-semitic

Canadian courts and boards of inquiry have held that *when a certain action is alleged to have been discriminatory, one has to look at all of its aspects.* Even if only part of the action violates the law the whole action is deemed to have been tainted. Our jurisprudence would therefore hold that if Mr. Chumatskij's book is badly tainted the whole book must be seen to violate your guidelines.

Mr. Minister, I believe that in reviewing your department's ruling and finding a book of this nature injurious to intergroup relations in Canada, you will declare it to be inadmissible to Canada. The author's claim that the fate suffered by the Ukrainian people needs to be better known should be treated for and by itself and should not be placed into a framework which can only be called blatantly anti-semitic. Allowing this book into Canada does no service to the Ukrainian community and the wider Canadian public.

Sincerely *W. Gunther Plaut*

U.S. survey shows gains

Support for Israel remains strong

By
YITZHAK RABI —

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Despite the continued violence and clashes between Israeli troops and Palestinian rioters in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, American support for Israel is strong and has actually grown in the past four months, according to the results of a new poll released here by the American Jewish Congress.

Moreover, the survey indicates that Americans, by decisive margins, are more sympathetic to Israel than either the Palestinians or the Arab states.

The poll, taken between April 8 and 24, was a national telephone survey among 1,017 voters. It was conducted by the Boston public opinion firm Martilla and Kiley on behalf of the AJCongress. The poll's finding were announced at a news conference at the Congress' headquarters here.

According to the poll, 61% of the American public supports Israel over the Arab nations, a dramatic increase from 47% only four months earlier in January, 1988.

Forty-four percent of the American public was found by the poll to feel that Israel "is a close ally" of the United States, while 32% believe that Israel is a "friend but not a close ally" of the United States.

Only 10% termed Israel "not a friend and not an enemy" of the United States.

In comparison, in January, 1988, only 27% of the American public considered Israel a close ally.

But despite its basic support of the State of Israel, the poll found that the American public is almost evenly split on the issue of Israel's behavior towards the rioting Palestinians in the territories.

Although 46% believe that "Israel has only used enough force to prevent further rioting in the West Bank," 41% of the American people feel "Israel has been too harsh in dealing with the Palestinian riots."

On the question of a peace settlement, 49% of the American public believes Israeli leaders are seeking a peaceful settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict, while 37% contends that Israeli leaders are blocking peace efforts.

In contrast, 61% think Egypt's leaders are seeking peace, while only 17% maintain they are blocking efforts.

On the issue of American military and economic aid to Israel, the poll found that almost 62% think U.S. military and arms sales to Israel should be kept at their current level, 13% want them increased and 12% want them decreased. Eight percent want them stopped altogether.

Forty-three percent said that the three billion dollars in yearly American aid to Israel was "about the right amount," whereas 45% claimed it was too much.

Should Israel be invaded by Arab forces, 58% of those polled said they would support the U.S. sending troops to defend Israel.

Other highlights of the poll's findings:

• Forty-three percent said they favor an "independent Palestinian state on the West Bank; 42% oppose it.

• Sixty-two percent think the United States should not recognize the Palestinian Liberation Organization; 32% favor recognition. Seventy-five percent said the PLO must renounce terrorism.

• Sixty-one percent rejected the notion that American Jews are more loyal to Israel than they are to the U.S.; 27% accepted it.

• Forty-seven percent said Israel should return land for peace; 45% objected.

• Shimon Peres is the most highly regarded Israeli leader by the American public. He is known by 59% of the public, with one-third having a favorable impression of him; one-fourth have an unfavorable impression.

• King Hussein of Jordan is the most popular Mideast leader in America. Six in 10 voters can identify him, and his favorable-unfavorable rating is 43 to 17%.

• Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is the best known Israeli leader (recognized by 65% of the public), but also the least popular. Those with unfavorable impressions outnumber those with favorable impressions by a 35 to 29% margin.

El Al: No pigs

JERUSALEM —

El Al has turned down a contract to transport live pigs from the United States to Europe, says an Associated Press story in The Globe and Mail.

"We don't feed our passengers un-kosher food, and we wouldn't want to put pigs in the bellies of our planes," El Al spokesman Nachman Kleinman said.

Kleinman said the airline had recently considered the offer to fly 12 tons of pigs to Europe for breeding, because it would have been worth "tens of thousands of dollars.

"It's such a touchy subject, and some people would be offended by it, so we decided against the deal," he added.

The offer was by a North American company that he refused to identify.

Gorbachev bringing change, but how far will he go?

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

Does Mikhail Gorbachev believe in God? Ronald Reagan suspects he does. The Soviet leader occasionally mentions God, has acknowledged his grandparents kept religious icons at home, and recently invoked the Bible in conceding the limitations of the Soviet economy: "Jesus Christ alone knew answers to all the questions and knew how to feed 20,000 Jews with five loaves of bread."

The presumed conversion of Gorbachev can be dangerous stuff. The tendency now is to see Gorbachev in Western terms. The question of whether he believes in God is one example of that. So what if he does? The czars before him did and they also ran oppressive police states. So, for that matter, did Spain's Francisco Franco. He attended mass daily — and then, confident of the Grace of God, cozied up to Hitler. As for Jews and bread, Gorbachev could work his own miracle simply by letting the former emigrate.

At the moment, it's possible Mikhail Gorbachev may become the most important political figure of the latter part of the 20th century. If he gets his way, he may work a second Russian Revolution. He may revitalize his country's stagnant economy, liberalize its politics and — most important for us — disengage from the Cold War. Some Russians are already joking about an America made uneasy by the lack of an enemy.

For all his grace, wit, keen intellect and modern ideas, Gorbachev is no Westerner. Take human rights. By the standards of his predecessors, Gorbachev is a reformer. He has cleaned the shelves of prominent dissidents and Refuseniks, allowing most of them to emigrate. He has permitted an unprecedented amount of dissent. The press is no longer so uniform. One journal will defend the old ways, another will plump for even bolder changes, and the two will duel through their letters-to-the-editor columns.

But Gorbachev's tolerance — indeed, encouragement — of dissent is utilitarian-based. Tolerance is an absolute necessity if the Soviet Union is to reform its economy and the political bureaucracy that runs it. Free exchange of ideas is vital if new ideas are to have a forum, if original thinkers are to have an audience — if the old, often corrupt and usually inefficient ways of managing the economy are to be changed. Information is a commodity, no different in its own way than steel or electrical power. Businessmen the world over recognize that. One reason Singapore lags behind Hong Kong as a Southeast Asian financial capital is that its press is censored.

The West, too, appreciates the utilitarian aspect of civil liberties. We talk of the free flow of ideas, recognizing that it's basic to our economy and to our politics. But we go further than that. We "hold" — in Mr. Jefferson's words — "these truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness . . ." That phrase from the Declaration of Independence has been mimicked around the world in countless other declarations or constitutions. But in few countries are the words treated with such solemnity as here.

Not so in the Soviet Union. As the former Anatoly (now Natan) Scharansky has pointed out, some dissidents with whom he was imprisoned remain in KGB jails. Others have been freed — and then re-arrested. Glasnost permits the publication of George Orwell's Nineteen Eighty-Four and Boris Pasternak's Doctor Zhivago, but not the works of Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

Glasnost permits a bold (for Russian) airing of contemporary issues, but it permits, also, the jailing of Sergei I. Grigoyants, whose Glasnost Magazine went beyond the boundaries. It permits, in other words, dissent that encourages reform, but not dissent (or reforms) that question the very basis of the Soviet system.

At the moment, dissent — liberalization — works in Gorbachev's favor. He needs the support of intellectuals and, even, the church in his battle with party conservatives. He needed to clean up Russia's image before Ronald Reagan would initial treaties that would relieve the beleaguered Soviet economy of some of its arms burden.

But there is much we still have to learn about Gorbachev. What we need to know is how he feels about civil liberties when they are no longer useful to him. We may never know if he believes in God. We may soon find out if he believes in man.

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Dramatic confrontations with Holocaust survivors avoided

Ruling altered the course of 2nd Zundel trial

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Three years ago, newspapers and the broadcast media seized upon the often dramatic courtroom confrontations between Holocaust survivors and defence lawyer Doug Christie for some of the most sensational reportage of the first Ernst Zundel trial.

The recently concluded second trial differed from the first in a number of substantial respects, not the least of which was the absence of testimony by Holocaust survivors.

That testimony played an important role in the first trial as Christie mercilessly grilled survivors, even stooping to accuse some (without proof) of lying about their experiences.

Generating more heat than light, the trial was sidetracked to the question of survivors' memories of their experiences. The Holocaust itself seemed to be on trial, even though it was Zundel who was charged with publishing a pamphlet, Did Six Million Really Die?, which was replete with lies about the Holocaust.

Crown attorney John Pearson

In the second trial, events unfolded differently than the first. Survivors were not called to testify — a strategy that stemmed in large part from an important judicial ruling early in the course of the trial, according to Crown attorney John Pearson.

Pearson, aided by lawyer Catherine White, who as an articling student participated in the initial trial, said a key point in the trial was reached when District Court Judge Ron Thomas told the jury the Holocaust was so notorious an event as not to be the subject of dispute among reasonable people.

"We basically determined that if the judge took judicial notice, there would not be the same need for that kind of evidence, bearing in mind the issues involved in the case."

For Pearson, the key issues were straightforward enough: the falsity of the pamphlet and, especially, Zundel's knowledge that it is untrue. The Crown attorney hasn't lost sight of those issues — even in interviews after the trial, limiting his remarks and declining to discuss the broader social and legal implications of the case.

Looking relaxed after the intense 4-month trial (in truth, he never appeared overly excited or ruffled by any courtroom development during the case), Pearson recapped some of its highlights.

"In some ways, I approached it as a fraud case where details become very important," he said.

At 38, Pearson brought 10 years experience as a Crown attorney to the case. Operating in the Crown law office in special prosecutions and criminal appeals, Pearson's trial experience was mainly in the area of commercial fraud.

As in fraud cases, he had to synthesize a great deal of detail and "present the case in a compact manner in which the evidence related to the essential elements was highlighted."

And like in a commercial fraud case, one of the main issues — and most difficult — was proving the dishonesty of the defendant. He did so primarily by referring the jury to highly prejudiced material penned by Zundel, including a book titled The Hitler We Loved and Why, written under the pen name, Christof Friedrich.

With an emphasis on keeping the issues in mind at all times, Pearson led evidence to demonstrate that Zundel was not an honest researcher interested in discovering truth, but a propagandist with an ideological mission to rehabilitate the racist Hitlerite regime which murdered six million Jews.

To do so, and to prove the pamphlet false, it was unnecessary to call survivors.

Thomas' ruling, that the Holocaust was the mass murder and extermination of Jews by the Nazis, left open for the defence the numbers killed and the question of whether the extermination was the result of official German policy.

Survivors couldn't assist in that regard, Pearson said, and "in my view, witnesses who have been put through an ordeal, if you can avoid calling them and still make your point, you should do that."

Moreover, "it shouldn't be necessary to call Holocaust survivors to prove the Holocaust happened. Fifty years from now, there won't be survivors.

"The matter has become, as the judicial notice ruling shows, a matter of history...it shouldn't be necessary to put someone through the ordeal of testifying."

And if his motion for judicial notice had been rejected...

Pearson declined to speculate, though he added: "In the view of the Crown, a defence that attacked surivors would not assist (Zundel) in getting a fair trial."

"I didn't want the jury to have to come to grips with these highly emotional issues." The Crown, he said, wanted the real issues in the indictment — the falsity of the pamphlet and Zundel's knowledge of it — to "remain clear. We saw a real danger of the legal issues becoming submerged by emotional issues."

The ruling, which will likely be a ground of appeal raised by Zundel, seemed to Pearson to limit the defence to the question of whether the Holocaust was an official Nazi policy and the numbers killed.

"At times it was not always clear the defence was so limiting itself."

A student of history, Pearson spent six months preparing for the case, poring over the transcript from the first trial and immersing himself in the history of the Holocaust.

Looking back over his lengthy exposure to the Zundel case, Pearson said he is not fatigued, though the "adrenalin surge" from being in court has dissipated.

He feels "satisfied that the two objects of the Crown were met. In my view Zundel received a fair trial. The jury dealt with it on the real issues and it would appear they understood the position of the Crown."

Jewish Agency meets in Jerusalem

29 Canadians to attend assembly

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Twenty-nine Canadian Jews will fly to Israel early next week to attend the Jewish Agency's 5-day annual general assembly.

Assembly members will vote, approve and comment on proposed changes to the agency, including the turning over of immigration absorption centres to the Israel government, and the streamlining of agency educational programs.

The agency's 1988/89 budget — approved by the board of governors in February — must also receive ratification from the assembly. The proposed budget is $414 million (U.S.), including $33 million (U.S.) for Project Renewal programs.

The role of the Canadian delegation at the assembly will likely be "upfront," says Walter Hess, United Israel Appeal of Canada's executive vice-president.

"They probably will play one of the leading roles as they normally do," he said, adding delegates will likely suggest changes and new programs.

Canadian Jews hold 20 voting seats in the 698-member assembly, which is equally divided between Diaspora fund raisers and Zionist organizations.

Hess, along with five other top-ranking UIA of Canada officials, will attend both assembly and board of governors meetings.

Voting members on the board of governors include UIA of Canada president Martin Levine, of Montreal, and past presidents Phil Granovsky and Allan Offman, both of Toronto.

Two others — past presidents Joe Ain, a retired Montreal businesman, and Jack Rose, a Toronto property developer — will, like Hess, attend board meetings as observers.

Most of the 29 delegates — including Jewish community leaders — will leave for Israel June 20, arriving in time for a 3-day Keren-Hayesod educational retreat in Haifa. Assembly meetings will be held in Jerusalem June 26-30 and the group will return to Canada July 3.

Eleven delegates will be from Montreal and the remainder from Toronto, Hess said.

"This is the first annual assembly meeting since the World Zionist Congress in December," he said.

"It's the first meeting since the new leadership has taken over and it's the first opportunity to present to the wider sector of world Jewish leadership the proposed and actual introduced changes that are being contemplated or are, in fact, already effected by the new Jewish Agency leadership."

The assembly will examine proposed changes such as more identifiable projects in the agency, restructuring of departments, and refocusing of goals — especially in the Project Renewal and project department, Hess said.

The assembly will also asked to confirm new agency treasurer Meir Sheetrit, a Likud member of Knesset.

Simcha Dinitz, the agency's new executive board chairman, already received approval of his appointment at last year's World Zionist Congress.

Earlier in the fall, South African industrialist Mendel Kaplan was elected new chairman of the agency's board of governors.

Ross' reprimand to be reviewed by board

By
PHIL FINE

MONCTON, NB —
A teacher here who was reprimanded by his school board for publishing allegedly anti-semitic books has been told his reprimand will be reviewed by the board this fall.

Malcolm Ross, who teaches remedial education at Magnetic Hill School, received a reprimand in March from School District 15, for publishing The Spectre of Power, a book which claims the existence of a worldwide Jewish conspiracy.

Following the reprimand, Ross filed two grievances against the board with his union, the New Brunswick Teachers Federation.

Last week, the board, during a closed session, told Ross that the reprimand still stands but that the board would review it at its Sept. 28 meeting.

The orginal reprimand warned Ross he would face disciplinary action including dismissal should he publish any more books like The Spectre of Power.

In addition to the reprimand, Ross has also been publicly rebuked by New Brunswick Premier Frank McKenna, by Attorney General James Lockyer and by Education Minister Shirley Dysart.

Over the past decade, the Magnetic Hill School teacher has published three other works — The Web of Deceit, The Real Holocaust and The Battle for Truth — which either question the validity of the Holocaust or claim the existence of a worldwide Jewish conspiracy.,

Susan Murray, District 15's acting board chairman, told The Canadian Jewish News the board decided to review Ross's reprimand in light of the Alberta Court of Appeal's decision to acquit school teacher James Keegstra.

Although Ross cannot file a grievance against the board's decision last week, he can take civil action against it, the New Brunswick Teachers Federation has said.

Audrey Lampert, the only Jewish member on the District 15 board, told The CJN she was bothered by the decision to review the reprimand because of the possibility it might be revoked by the board.

Men are remanded

CALGARY —
Two men charged with plotting to blow up the Calgary Jewish Centre and murder a prominent Jewish businessman were remanded in custody until June 15, after The CJN went to press.

Wilhelm Hamilton, 19, and Timothy Heggen, 29, were apprehended after a week-long police investigation as the two accused picked up devices they thought were bombs (CJN June 9).

A bail hearing for the two men, both with reputed ties to the Ku Klux Klan, was put off because one of the accused did not have a lawyer.

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By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Peirik or Perek?

In truth, I should be very pleased with the way our beloved columnist J. B. Salsberg writes the word, Peirik. That's the way Polish Jews used to say it. In fact, they used to deepen the vowel sounds to make it seem as if you were being invited to taste a delightful piece of pie, when they spoke of it as Pie-rik.

Rabbi Burak

As the rabbi of Toronto's Poilishe congregation, I love the sound of the word, and all that it stands for . . . the vanished world of yesterday. At the same time, one wonders whether it should really be spelled that way. The word is a Hebrew word. There is a Hebrew spelling for it.

How do we treat this type of problem in the English language? For example, Canadians have an officer in both the army and the police force who is known as a lieutenant. We pronounce the word as if it were leftenant. We say it one way, but we write it another way. How would it look were we to write: "The Leftenant-Governor held a levee on New Year's Day?" Oy vay!

That would make most people feel quite uncomfortable. Well, in the same way I experience a feeling of unease when I read about Peirik. True, the people may have said it that way, but why write it that way?

It's true that one might do quite a study on this change of pronunciation, to detail how Perek became Peirik. One could also do quite a study to explain how the German word butter became the Yiddish word pitter. How did the "b" become a "p" and how did the "u" change to an "i?"

But, to change a classic text's name is another matter.

Early in our history, some people experienced difficulty in pronunciation and paid for it dearly. The Book of Judges, Chapter 12:5-6, tells the story: "'And the Gileadites took the fords of the Jordan against the Ephraimites; and it was so when any of the fugitives of Ephraim said: 'Let me go over,' the men of Gilead said unto him: 'Art thou an Ephraimite?' If he said: 'Nay,' then said they unto him: "Say now Shibboleth;' and he said "Sibboleth;' for he could not frame to pronounce it right. . . ."

Then they killed him.

This is not to suggest that he was killed because he couldn't pronounce the word properly. His tongue gave him away.

The inability to pronounce certain letters properly was quite common. The Talmud, however, didn't make peace with that situation. On the contrary, there are definite laws given there to block those people from acting as readers at public prayer. Thus, the Code, O.H. Chapter 53:12, prohibits the appointment of a chazzan whose "alephs" sound like "eyeins."

Others had problems with the letter, "ches," and pronounced it the way we pronounce an "h." Some people, today, have the same problem, especially when they grow up in a land where the German "ch" sound is unknown. To such, it does not help to suggest that they should act as if they had a bone stuck in the throat and try to blow it out.

One of the greatest of the sages, Rabbi Chiyya, couldn't pronounce the letter ches, according to the Maharsha, in Tractate Mo'ed Kattan, 16B. That stopped him from being a chazzan. So, he held higher offices.

Well now, if you can't pronounce the word Perek, we won't hold it against you. But why train a generation of CJN readers to mispronounce it and say Peirik?

Arabs vote against resolution

Israel slighted at anti-nuke parley

By
DAVID LAZARUS
MONTREAL —

A resolution of principle supporting the creation of a nuclear-free zone in the Middle East was passed here by an overwhelming majority of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War's (IPPNW) governing council.

However, the resolution, put forward by Israeli delegation head Dr. Ernesto Kahan at the 8th annual world congress of the IPPNW, was rejected by Arab IPPNW members — including Egypt — even after rewording to exclude Israeli participation.

Kahan's original language called for a non-partisan delegation of Israeli and Palestinian physicians and IPPNW leadership to travel to Mideast nations to garner support for a nuclear-free Mideast.

But Arab nations even turned down the watered-down version, in Kahan's view over the mere fact that Israel drafted it.

"Maybe I was too naive," lamented Kahan, chairman of Israel's IPPNW association.

Kahan had been confident that the 62-nation IPPNW international council, composed of physicians, could express non-partisan support for the resolution.

But the Israeli chairman was informed that an Israeli travelling to nations still at war with Israel, as the original resolution envisaged, would have been impossible. The resolution was reworded leaving Israel out, but was still rejected by Arab representatives.

This put a crimp in Kahan's previous optimism at the conference, which drew 2,000 doctors from all over the world to the Palais de Congres.

On the day prior to the council meeting, Kahan was happy about ties that he and the three other Israeli delegates had established with half a dozen Palestinian observers attending the annual congress for the first time.

Kahan disclosed that the Israelis met informally four times with the Palestinian physicians, who were led by Dr. Fathi Arafat, chairman of the Palestinian Red Crescent and the brother of Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat.

The meetings also included the IPPNW representative physicians from Egypt and Jordan. The Palestinian observers had no right to vote at the council meeting.

According to Kahan, the talks were "friendly," and the physicians "agreed unanimously" that, as doctors, they could "collaborate on medical issues" brought about by the threat of nuclear war.

Although "I didn't ask for ID," Kahan had no doubt that the Palestinian observers were "pure PLO."

This did not bother him, though, because he said the talks were between physicians at a forum for physicians.

Arafat had said to Kahan: "I'm a doctor, not a terrorist." Kahan did not believe the meeting was illegal, as stipulated in an Israeli law forbidding dialogue between Israelis and PLO.

"The meeting was with physicians in a physicians' framework, and the prevention of nuclear war is a medical act."

Kahan continued that "I think maybe we have been making history. I am sure that 100% of the people who talked to me talked to someone they know to be a proud Israeli and Zionist."

The physicians had all agreed that "the same bomb that would destroy Israel would also destroy the territories."

Support for a nuclear-free zone was also conveyed to the Israeli delegation by the Israeli government.

Foreign minister Shimon Peres said in a letter to the Israeli IPPNW that "while we continue tirelessly to pursue our efforts to achieve peace in the Middle East, progress on the creation of a nuclear weapon-free zone in the Middle East . . . has thus far been disappointing.

"Despite our repeated invitation to the Arab states to sit down with us and freely negotiate the establishment of such a zone — our invitation has yet to be accepted."

This was Israel's fourth year of participation at the annual conference of the IPPNW, which won the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize. Last year's was in Moscow. It will take place next year in Hiroshima.

Kahan, a 47-year-old Argentinian-born doctor, the deputy-director of the Beilinson Medical Centre in Petach Tikvah and chief of the epidemiology unit at Tel Aviv University, said the Israeli IPPNW association, founded in 1984 by himself and Dr. Eliahu Toupel, now boasts 200 members.

"I don't know if Israel has (nuclear weapons) or not," said Kahan. "I only know what's published in the media.

"The point is that the belief that such weapons would provide security is an illusion and it gives other countries the right to build them."

The principle is underscored by Jewish history, Kahan continued.

"We Jews who suffered so much during the Holocaust — we know what a Holocaust means. We don't want another one — not for us or for others."

May tourism figures slump compared with record in 87

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The number of tourists arriving in Israel was down a sharp 21% last month, compared with last year's record levels, providing further indication of a slump in tourism, figures released last week by the Central Bureau of Statistics showed.

Some 86,000 people arrived in the country in May, compared with 110,000 at the same time a year ago. The figures were somewhat higher than the 81,000 who entered in May, 1986, when the industry was in the midst of a severe slump. Among tourists arriving by air, the largest and most important category, the drop was an even sharper 23.4%, to 72,000.

In seasonally adjusted terms, the number of overall May arrivals was off 13% compared with the average for March-April.

May marked the third month of declines in tourist arrivals, and the drop has gained momentum each month. Although the intifada, which has been widely blamed for the slump, began in December, the number of tourist arrivals was actually up on 1987's record levels in January and February, although the tourist trade is small in those months.

Tourism industry sources have also cited high prices for airfares and hotels as discouraging tourists, as well as the weaker dollar, which has given Americans second thoughts about travelling to Europe and Israel in package tours.

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Agriculture industry booming

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

New technologies allowed Israel's agricultural production to grow at an annual rate of 7.3% over the past 35 years, according to Joseph Shalhevet, chief scientist of the Agricultural Research Organization.

Shalhevet, addressing the inaugural conference of Israel's high-technology industry, said 4.5% of the annual growth was directly attributable to technological advances.

In 1950, one farmer fed 17 people in Israel. By 1985 he was feeding 65 people, Shalhevet said.

According to data released by the Central Bureau of Statistics, agricultural output for the year ending in September, 1987 amounted to $2.7 billion, of which 60% is available for export after satisfying domestic needs.

Kibbutz signs agreement to develop golf grass

KIBBUTZ GIVAT BRENNER (JPFS) —

Kibbutz Givat Brenner has signed a $100,000 contract with Japan's Sanyo Golf Course to develop special types of grass suitable for golf courses. The kibbutz has already begun to import 30 different strains of grass from around the world to test their adaptability to the Japanese climate.

A tilt toward the dovish left

There's a new look to Labor's election slate

By
DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The slate of Knesset candidates the Labor Party will present to Israeli voters in November will have many new names, fresh younger faces and a decided tilt toward the dovish left — although such an appraisal is strongly denied by party secretary-general Uri Baram.

Labor last week completed the process of selecting the 61 men and women who will seek to represent it in Parliament. But Labor doesn't expect to win 61 seats. No political party in Israel has ever gained an absolute majority in the 120-member Knesset.

If Labor does as well as it did in 1984, it can expect to elect 44 of its people. Now the inevitable jostling and jockeying for "safe" positions on the list has begun and is expected to be hard-fought.

The crucial ranking of the candidates on the list is set for this week. The first seven slots are reserved for the party leaders and for Minister-Without-Portfolio Ezer Weizman's former Yahad faction. There will be many disappointments.

But the mood in the party was buoyant after the 1,269-member central committee voted to select the largest single bloc of candidates on the list.

Of the 29 chosen, 16 have not previously served in the Knesset. Those selected, however, appeared to ensure that Labor's slate will include a substantial number of younger politicians while preserving the status of such respected veterans as Abba Eban.

"This is a festive day for me," said Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who, as party chairman, will head the list. He and Labor's No. 2 man, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, pronounced themselves well pleased with the mix and confident that, in Rabin's words, "With this list we can win the election."

It is the first list selected by what has been called here the new democratic process. In addition to the 29 candidates selected by the central committee, 23 were chosen during April and May by the various party branches in the big cities, the kibbutz movement, the moshav movement and other components.

The balance is composed of the party leaders: Peres, Rabin, Education Minister Yitzhak Navon, Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel, Baram, Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar and the spots pledged in advance to Weizman and his people. All are certain of election.

In the old days, Labor drew up its Knesset list in the proverbial smoke-filled room, where the party bosses closeted themselves to wheel and deal and put together what they considered a list balanced by geography, ideology and special interests.

Baram thinks the new method has "revolutionized" the party. He strongly denied a leftward list, even though the dovish Ora Namir polled the largest number of votes in the central committee, followed by veteran Arieh Eliav, who seceded from the Labor Party for 10 years over policy differences and supports the idea of a Palestinian state.

Baram maintained Namir was supported because of her recognized parliamentary skills and success as chairwoman of the Knesset labor and welfare committee.

He said Eliav was a sentimental favorite because of his long career as a pioneer planner and builder of large urban and rural centres in the Negev.

Baram pointed out that newcomers on the list include dedicated hawks such as Mayor Micha Goldman of Kfar Tavor, a close confidant of Rabin.

The voting was not along dove-hawk lines and not by prior deals, Baram said. The central committee members simply searched for a balanced and attractive blend, he said.

Despite Baram's denials, political pundits saw the vote as a definite swing to dovish territory.

It was apparent, they say, in the election of first-time candidates like Eli Dayan, the moderate mayor of Ashkelon, and Avram Burg, a former Peace Now activist and son of retired National Religious Party leader Yosef Burg.

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Meanwhile, a new moderate religious party called Meimad was formally established here recently. Its stated purpose is to combat extremist trends in the religious community, which the founders fear could jeopardize the Jewish character of Israel.

The party may break with the tradition of all other religious political factions by including a woman on its list of Knesset candidates in the November elections.

The woman under consideration is Tova Lichtenstein, advisor to the minister of religion on the status of women. She is also a senior lecturer in social work at Bar-Ilan University.

The Meimad party is headed by Rabbi Yehuda Amital, principal of the Har Etzion yeshiva. His co-principal, Rabbi Aaron Lichtenstein, is the husband of Tova Lichtenstein.

The new party has yet to draw up its election list. Amital confirmed that he doesn't intend to run for election to the Knesset himself. "I am not cut out for it," he told the army radio in an interview.

"I believe a rabbi's place is not in the Knesset but in the Beit Midrash," Amital said in what could be construed as a dig at the several rabbis who sit in the Knesset, most of them from the ultra-Orthodox parties.

To combat rise in neo-Nazism

Holocaust survivor stories sought

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO — The stories of Holocaust survivors are being sought by the Yad Vashem Holocaust Institute in Israel, says the organization's deputy vice-president.

So far, the personal information of almost 1 million survivors has been recorded, but more witnesses' stories are needed to help chronicle the Holocaust, says Efraim Weichselfish.

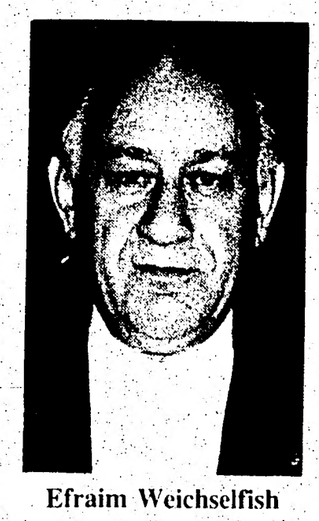
"There are hundreds of thousands of living witnesses who still haven't given their version of the destruction of their places and their families," Weichselfish told The CJN through Hebrew translator Josef Becker, one of the first executive members of Yad Vashem's Canadian society.

The time is critical now because many of these witnesses will soon die, Weichselfish said.

Weichselfish, 68, was recently in Toronto for four days to attend a Jewish war veterans dinner as part of a 14-day trip to North America.

He said the Jerusalem-based institute needs as much information as possible to combat a rise in neo-Nazism which is attempting to distort the facts.

The free world has also begun to forget that 1.5 million Jews fought with Western and Eastern troops to help defeat the Nazi regime during World War II,



Efraim Weichselfish

he added.

"The Jewish resistance in Europe — especially in Poland and the Ukraine — was a very important factor in (combating) the German military by taking away their concentration from the official armies," added Weichselfish, who in 1945 , led the 130-member Polish battalion that hung the flag of victory on Adolf Hitler's Berlin headquarters.

Even Jews in concentration camps such as Treblinka, Sobibor, Auschwitz and others stood up and resisted the Nazis once they realized their lives were at stake, he said.

Yad Vashem was established by the Israeli government in 1953 to record information about the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust.

In 1978, the Israeli government granted approval for the institute to seek funding from Jews abroad to help fulfil its mandate, including educating people on the true facts of the Holocaust.

Funds are now urgently needed to help build up Yad Vashem's archives and translate reports received from Jews all over the world.

Two projects recently completed by the organization include a monument in Jerusalem erected in memory of the 1.5 million children who perished in World War II.

A monument commemorating the heroism of Jewish soldiers who fought against the Nazis has also been erected in Jerusalem.

And a third project — a valley representing the 4,800 Jewish communities that disappeared during the last world war — is currently under construction in Jerusalem.

The valley — which will help people learn about the origins of their ancestors — is expected to cost more than $20 million (U.S.) and will take another two years to complete.

For more information, call the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem at (416) 223-5511 or write to 8 Abitibi Ave., Willowdale, Ont. M2M 2V1.

Hebrew U will honor Berman during its annual convocation

TORONTO — Joseph Berman of Montreal will receive an honorary doctorate June 22 during the annual convocation at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

The convocation is part of the Hebrew University's 50th annual international board of governors meeting June 19-23 which this year is opening with "Canada Day."

Three important ceremonies will be featured during the day:

- The Yigal Yadin Memorial Chair in Archeology, donated by Edward and Peter Bronfman of Toronto and Montreal, will be inaugurated.
- The David Weissman Science Building on the Givat Ram campus will be dedicated, in recognition of a major gift to the Hebrew University by David Weissman of Montreal, a major donor for over three decades.
- The Prince Albert, Sask., foyer of the university's synagogue on Mount Scopus will be dedicated in recognition of a gift from that city's Jewish community.

Berman joins two dozen other Canadians attending the board meetings, along with 400 Hebrew University governors and supporters from Israel and around the world.

The meetings in Jerusalem will include an address by Israeli President Chaim Herzog, the annual meeting of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and tours and social activities.

Joseph Berman

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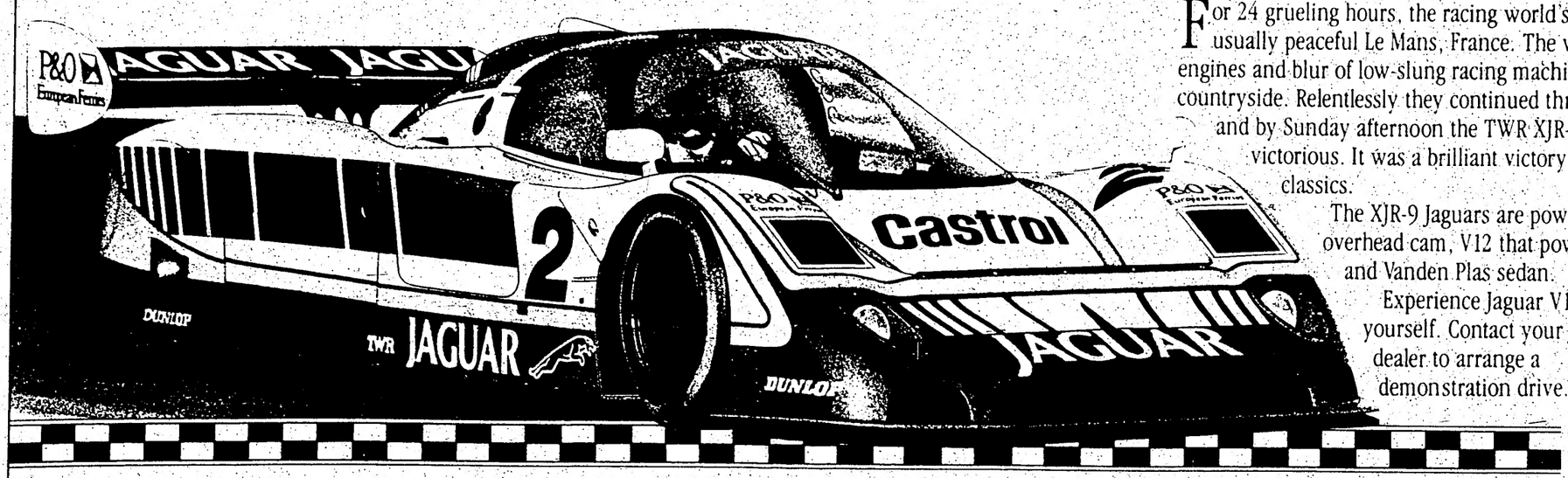

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Cut government spending, says Hapoalim's Berglas

Banker urges tough medicine for Israel economy

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Israeli economy is again in need of some tough medicine to get its growth figures back on track, a top Israeli economist said recently.

In 1985, when faced with 3-digit "hyper-inflation" and gloomy economic prospects, Israel's government, with broad social support, instituted belt-tightening measures, said Eitan Berglas, chairman of the board of Bank Hapoalim in Israel. Additional measures are needed today.

The budget and fiscal measures introduced in July 1985 led to a significant drop in the country's inflation rate, bringing it down to around 15% — modest when compared with 1984's 460% — and far better than either Brazil or Argentina, which also suffered from hyper-inflation at that time, he said.

While the unprecedented economic "miracle" of bringing the country out of the grips of runaway inflation without increasing unemployment led to 6% real economic growth from 1985-87, that is expected to tail off to 2-3% in 1988, Berglas said. Part of that drop (1½-2%) in gross domestic product can be attributed to economic consequences from the uprising in the territories.

Several measures are needed to get the economy back on track, the former Israel budget director stated.

The burden on government for the payment of social services must be reduced and shifted to the private sector, he said. Some services should be put on a user-pay basis and not financed by the public through their tax dollars — or shekels in the Israeli case.

Government spending should be further restricted, taxes cut and changes instituted in the structure of salary indexation.

The indexation system was altered in 1985 as part of the government's austerity measures, Berglas said, and that contributed to the drop in inflation.

While that meant a drop in workers' wages, he said the measure was accepted in 1985 because government policy was "believable and the goals acceptable." It also meant that inflation could be brought under control without the traditional method of creating unemployment.

Corporations also will have to "tighten their belts and adjust to a different environment," he added, but they should be prepared to do that in preference to the current poor profit picture.

Finally, the value of the shekel will have to be adjusted downward. Right now, it is overvalued by 10-12%, he said.

Eitan Berglas

That means Israeli exports are too expensive abroad and imports to the country are too cheap, creating a trade imbalance.

If you add all imports and exports, the total exceeds GNP, he noted.

Pointing to the Israeli experience in 1985, Berglas said it showed Israel can adopt a policy that is both anti-inflationary and which promotes growth.

"We have done it," he said. "What is necessary and can be done requires change on a smaller scale to recreate the atmosphere of growth and full employment while reducing inflation further."

Berglas, former head of the department of economics at Tel Aviv University, said the belt-tightening measures likely won't be part of either Labor or Likud's platform prior to this fall's elections.

And there are differences in the parties as to which government expenditures should be tapered, he acknowledged. That too was the case in 1985 when the austerity measures were introduced by only a 1-vote majority in the government, as a result of a Likud minister voting with Labor.

But the measures were introduced "without a major crisis and with social stability" intact.

"I think this tells something about the social environment and the flexibility of the economy, to adjust to a completely new environment," he said.

Berglas was in Toronto and New York to visit the Bank Hapoalim subsidiaries in both cities and to meet with Canadian and American bankers.

While in Toronto, he attended a celebration at the bank's offices to mark the 40th anniversary of the state of Israel.

Ontario Premier David Peterson, though unable to attend, sent along his greetings.

Army deviations are blamed for many casualties in Gaza

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

A team of six Israeli doctors checking on casualties in the Gaza Strip from December to April has concluded that many were caused by deviation from army regulations.

The allegations are contained in an 8-page report by a team of six Israeli doctors organized by Knesset member Dedi Zucker (Citizens' Rights Movement) to check into the medical situation in Gaza.

The report was submitted to Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almoslino, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Attorney-General Yosef Harish. The team of six investigating doctors had full cooperation from the army.

It asserts:

• The use of tear gas in closed areas has almost certainly caused some 30 miscarriages.

• There were significant differences in the number of injuries from area to area, depending on which army unit had been involved.

• **The army adopts unacceptable standards in Gaza. For instance, in many cases of death no post-mortem was ordered. Without post-mortems it becomes even more difficult to ascertain the truth, the report notes. Gaza medical staff have been forbidden by the military authorities to write on a child's death certificate that gassing was the cause of death.**

• The army does not reveal information about the types of tear gas employed, although this would help in medical treatment.

Exposure to CS and CN gas, the report notes, carries with it the risk of toxic effect, and that risk rises when used in a closed area.

Infants, children and those suffering from heart or respiratory ailments may die if exposed to more than 10 minutes of CS gas. Both CS and CN can be dangerous to even healthy persons when the gas is not used in the open.

The report notes the need for proper training in the use of gas, which should not be fired into the crowd, but in front of the demonstrators. The prompt rendering of first aid is essential, says the report.

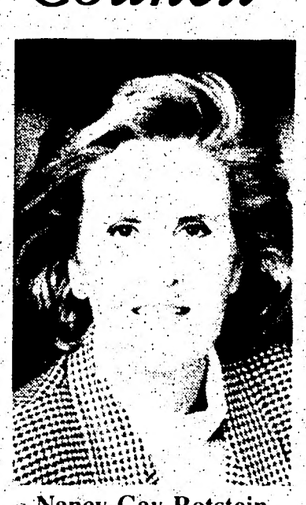
The report recommends a thorough check be made of hospital files to ascertain exact numbers of deaths and miscarriages which can be attributed to the use of gas. But the team did check personally on several cases in which miscarriages followed exposure to gas.

Rotstein returning to Canada Council

OTTAWA —

Author Nancy-Gay Rotstein has been appointed for a second 3-year term to the Canada Council's board of directors, Communications Minister Flora MacDonald has announced.

During her first term, Rotstein spoke out in support of Canadian ownership of the publishing industry. She initiated a series of regular meetings with artists and arts organizations in a number of Ontario communities.



Nancy-Gay Rotstein

She also serves on The National Library advisory board and the Payment for Public Use Commission.

Rotstein's latest book, China: Shockwaves, currently in its second printing, is published by McClelland & Stewart in Canada. A United States edition is published by Dodd Mead & Co.

Rotstein holds a Master's degree in Canadian history and is a lawyer specializing in the area of entertainment law.

She is a member of the arts advisory board of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, a member of Holy Blossom Temple and is active in many Jewish organizations.

Rotstein is a member of The Writers Union of Canada, The League of Canadian Poets and The Law Society of Upper Canada. She and her husband Maxwell Rotstein have three children and live in Barrie, Ont.

Plea for Syrian Jews

PARIS (JTA) —

Delegates to the international Conference for the Safeguard of Syrian Jews have called on Syrian President Hafez Assad to allow an estimated 5,000 Jews who still live in his country to emigrate.

The writers, philosophers and members of Parliament attending the conference also called for the release of 11 Lebanese Jews kidnapped in 1984 and 1985.

The hostages have not been heard from since their capture. A terrorist group calling itself the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth has claimed during the past two years to have executed at least eight of the Jewish victims. Their claims could not be verified.

"We don't even know whether they are alive and, if yes, under what conditions they are held," a member of one of the hostages' families said.

Witnesses and experts testifying at the conference said that Syria's small Jewish community, now concentrated mainly in Damascus, is suffering discrimination and humiliation. Jews are barred from public service and university studies, and are frequently harassed by the Syrian police and secret service, experts said.

E. Berlin destroys Hitler's bunker

BONN (JTA) —

The underground bunker where Hitler and his staff spent the last days of the Third Reich was unceremoniously blown up by workers in East Berlin recently to make room for a complex of modern buildings.

The bunker was Hitler's home and command headquarters from where he directed a crumbling Wehrmacht and non-existent luftwaffe. It was there that Hitler married his longtime mistress, Eva Braun, then killed her and committed suicide as the Red Army captured the city.

The bunker has figured in countless films, documentaries, histories and novels over the last 44 years.

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On June 19, 1948, the Jesuits officially accused the Jews of poisoning Arab drinking water, during Israel's War of Independence. This hoary church libel, which created countless Jewish martyrs, demonstrated Rome's attitude to the new Jewish state.

The charge of well poisoning was most notably brought against the Jews during the Black Death, an epidemic of bubonic plague that raged throughout Europe in the middle of the 14th century. Earlier, hatred was roused against them by church-condoned accusations of desecrating the sacred host and of using the blood of Christian children in making matzoh.

At first, all strangers were suspected by stricken communities. Residual hostility soon focused its fury on the Jews. In September, 1348, in Lake Geneva's Castle of Chillon, Jews were first tortured to say they had set out to poison food and drinking water "so as to kill and destroy the whole of Christendom." This and similar "confessions" spread throughout Europe like wildfire.

The Encyclopedia Judaica quotes a church document in Latin saying that "before their end, they said on their Law that it is true that all Jews from the age of 7 cannot excuse themselves of this crime."

Despite objections by kings, nobles and Pope Clement VI, local populaces inflamed by their rabble rousers and clergy let loose on the Jews in their midst. Thousands were massacred across Europe, men, women, and children burned, drowned or put to the sword. Some 6,000 were burned in Mainz alone and 2,000 in Strasbourg.

No support

Events leading to Israel's statehood preceded the well poisoning charge's resurrection. In 1904, Pope Pius X told Theodor Herzl: "It is not pleasant to see the Turks in possession of our holy places . . . but to support the Jews, that we cannot do." In 1947, the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine bowed to a strong Catholic lobby and made the internationalization of Jerusalem an integral part of its partition recommendations, according to Canadian-born pioneer Gilboa kibbutznik Pinchas Lapide in *The Last Three Popes and the Jews* (1967). Palestine's Jews accepted the plan "with a heavy heart," writes Lapide. Arab states rejected it totally and launched their troops in an effort to crush the fledgling Jewish state.

In his May 1 1948 encylical Auspicia Quaedam, Pope Pius XII expressed his concern for the "holy places" of Jerusalem, and urged "concord and peace." Statements from lower levels were considerably less diplomatic.

On June 8, 1948, Israel foreign ministry director-general Walter Eytan reported: "The Catholic Church is opposed to the custody of the holy places vested in the Jews, the Protestants, the Greek Orthodox, and the Moslems — in that order." On Aug. 6, he wrote that "the papal legate at Beirut has formally denied that the Vatican has protested against the shelling of Hadassah Hospital and the Hebrew University . . . (Any) original statement to this effect has apparently created an unfavorable impression in Christian and Moslem circles in the Middle East, and the church was therefore at pains to put them right."

In reporting the fighting, Rome's newspaper Civilta Cattolica described Israel setbacks as "Arab victories," and Israeli victories as "advances." Jordanian and Egyptian communiques were quoted in full. "Israeli troops were referred to as 'the Jews,' whose 'occupation of an area greater than that assigned to them' was sincerely deplored," writes Lapide.

June 19's Civilta Cattolica wrote: "In Gaza two Zionist emissaries were arrested who were charged with the poisoning of the city's wells. According to written evidence, they have also thrown typhoid and dysentery germs into several watering places. Rumor has it, in fact, that the Jews rely for their victory upon the sanitary havoc of the Arab states. Such facts would certainly not enhance their good name."

In April 1949, Documentation Catholique, the official bulletin of French Catholicism, railed against "a Hebrew elite being created in the kibbutzim" and its "arrogant exultation of triumphant vengeance. It concluded: "It is but Christian charity to bind the lunatic in his rage," for "Zionism is a new Nazism."

Trip seen as boost for Refuseniks

By BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO — Fourteen Canadians returned from the Soviet Union recently with a strengthened commitment to help Soviet Jews.

"I think a lot of people will become much more active in Russian Jewry causes," tour participant Barney Dales said of the 15-member delegation which was led by Soviet Jewry activist Genya Intrator who will return to Toronto in mid-June.

During the 10-day visit, the group — including Judge Phil Givens and his wife, Minnie — travelled to Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad. Fourteen members of the delegation were from the Beth Tzedec Synagogue and one was from the Adath Israel congregation.

Participants, led by Soviet Intourist guides, spent part of their time visiting tourist spots. During leisure hours they travelled on their own to Refusenik apartments, meeting groups of Jews who were seeking to emigrate from the Soviet Union.

"It was so emotional sometimes you were so choked up you couldn't cry," Sorrell Gwartzman, a member of Beth Tzedec's board, said of the meetings with Refuseniks.

"You felt like you wanted to pack them all and take them home."

Dales, the shul's past president, said group members met Refuseniks like Inna Ioffe-Uspensky, Yuri Cherniak and Vladimir Kislik, who led a seminar in his Moscow apartment on legal problems faced by Refuseniks. Between 50 and 60 Refuseniks attended the session, said Dales, a lawyer, whose wife, Brenda, was also on the trip.

The group also attended a service on the Shavuoth day of Yiskor at the Moscow synagogue. During the packed service, a Soviet television camera crew arrived, set up its equipment at the bimah, and filmed the service and crowd.

"I thought that it was a flagrant abuse by the Russian government or whoever arranged for it," said Dales. He said he believes the film will likely be shown internally or to Western audiences and politicans as an example of religious freedom in the Soviet Union.

"They wanted to show there is freedom of religious services in the Soviet Union," he said. "But if anybody has half a brain, they will realize exactly the opposite (is true)."

During the 5-day stay in Moscow, group members also attended a Soviet women's committee meeting.

They also met with Vernon Turner, Canada's ambassador to the Soviet Union. During the 1-hour afternoon reception at the Canadian embassy, the group discussed specific cases of Refuseniks with the diplomat.

"I thought he (Turner) was very forthright," Dales said. **"We all came away very happy with the meeting."**

Later, the delegation travelled to Kiev where they visited Babi Yar, an area where thousands of Jews were machine gunned by Nazis during World War II. At the end of 778 days of Nazi rule in Kiev, the ravine had become a mass grave for more than 100,000 people, most of them Jews.

Crowding next to a monument and a plaque at the site, the group held a brief memorial service reciting kaddish.

The service was led by Dr. Sam Spivak, a member of Beth Tzedec's Soviet Jewry committee. Spivak, whose wife, Anna, was also on the trip, was overcome with emotion and wept openly.

Before leaving Kiev, Givens met with a representative of the city's mayor, who was away on business.

Refuseniks Abe Stoller and his wife Gittel (at right) are visited by Beth Tzedec members (from left) Sorrell Gwartzman (standing) and Anna Spivak and her husband Sam. (Photo by Mirial Small)

In Leningrad, the group visited the city's winter and summer palaces. They also sat in for part of a service at a small shul, Dales said.

Givens said what struck him most on the trip was the "gigantic nature" of the Soviet Union.

"It is a brutally vital, virile, strong powerful, country," Givens told The CJN.

"It ranks as brutish in the sense you have the feeling there's a power and dynamism there and you get the feeling talking to Jewish people that there is an inherent anti-semitism that is so rooted in the psyche of the people that it will never be eradicated.

However, Givens encouraged more people to visit the Soviet Union and see some of the sights his group saw.

He said none of the participants were searched when they arrived and all cleared Soviet customs in about 15 seconds.

In their luggage, group members had been carrying tzitzit, tefillen, Hebrew and Russian prayer books, Jewish Bibles and educational materials from Beth Tzedec's congregational school, Gwartzman told The CJN.

Others who joined the tour included Mike Marks, a member of Beth Tzedec's board; and Beth Tzedec members Rose Wolfson, Alex Rubin and his wife, Berte. Shula Vaskevitch, a member of Adath Israel, was also on the tour. The trip was organized by Max Milstone, a travel consultant, who is Beth Tzedec's Soviet Jewry co-chairman. Intrator is the other co-chairman.

David Hartman, Director,
Hartman Institute in Jerusalem.
"The Palestinian people possess a national consciousness and a will for political freedom. We cannot continue our relationship with them in total denial of their desire for self-determination."

"There are two options. Either we in Israel accept their fundamental human needs and seek to accommodate them, while building safeguards so as not to weaken our national security. Or we shall create an Israeli society that will rule with force and intimidation over a million and a half vehemently resentful people . . . this is not what we prayed for or waited for during the past 2,000 years."

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Not welcome

Psychologists and philosophers are fond of debating whether there is a direct link between the teaching of contempt and violent acts carried out against those indentified in that teaching.

The evidence on this question is not completely in, but recent events in Alberta suggest that the preaching of hate creates an ambience in which violence towards one's fellow man gains an unfortunate legitimacy.

The news (reported in The CJN June 9) that two Albertans with links to the Ku Klux Klan have been arrested in an alleged plot to kill a member of the Calgary Jewish community and to blow up the Jewish Centre in the Alberta city is a sobering confirmation of the potency of hate.

Three years ago the small city of Red Deer was the scene of an arena of hate when a high school teacher abused the courts of his province by fulminating, for weeks on end, about the "wickedness" of Jews and Judaism.

James Keegstra was found guilty of violating the Criminal Code of this country, sentenced to a jail term and fined. That conviction has been overturned on constitutional grounds by the Alberta Court of Appeal.

One of the most remarkable things about the Keegstra affair was that this Eckville, Alberta teacher had been able to use a high school for more than a decade in order to inculcate his wards with diabolical views of Jews and Judaism. The tolerance of that Alberta community was unforgivable.

That misguided tolerance, however, goes a long way to explaining how the Ku Klux Klan and other lunatic groups on the far right have found a foyer within Alberta for their weird political and religious ideologies.

We do not wish to exaggerate: the groups in question are tiny and marginal to Alberta society. They have, moreover, been repudiated by the vast majority of Albertans. The fact that the alleged assassins-bombers were quickly apprehended by the Calgary police and the RCMP shows that the civil authorities have been monitoring the fanatical racist organizations in the province.

What is lamentable is that members of those organizations have seen in Alberta an atmosphere appropriate to their nauseous aims.

Jews and non-Jews in Alberta should unite to proclaim that the agents of anti-semitism and racism are not welcome in Alberta.

Rethink policy

The news that Israel will soon be initiating a drastic change in its policy of granting visas to Jews seeking to emigrate from the Soviet Union is understandable.

The change in policy, if it is actually implemented, results from a soaring number of dropouts — Soviet Jews who settle in countries other than Israel, after leaving the USSR with Israeli visas.

Ostensibly the tightening of the Israeli visa regulation has been prompted by the prospect of a significant increase in the number of exit permits that the Soviet Union will be issuing. Estimates suggest that 1,500 Soviet Jews will be allowed to leave each month.

Israel has already advised the Dutch embassy in Moscow that it intends to stop issuing visas through its facilities and has communicated that notice to the Soviet authorities as well.

Henceforth only the Israeli embassy in Bucharest will issue visas for entry into Israel. Recipients will have to fly directly to Israel with a brief stopover in the Romanian capital.

Israel's decision to alter its visa regulations is not a punitive act; it is based on the perception that Soviet Jews may emigrate to any country in the world for the purpose of family reunion. A June, 1987 Soviet change in emigration procedures is cited in support of this perception.

While we understand Israel's position fully on this matter, it appears that her change in the visa policy is an overreaction. Obtaining visas for emigration to other countries through family reunion avenues is much more difficult than through Israeli channels. It is not always possible, moreover, for Soviet Jews to arrange for invitations from family members outside of Israel.

Soviet Jews who apply for emigration are long suffering victims of Soviet callousness, discrimination and bureaucratic obstructionism. The punishment which many receive for applying for an exit visa — including dismissal from jobs — is well known.

Israel was performing a great mitzvah in assisting these hapless people to escape the unendurable plight of having to live in the Soviet Union. Israel's change in visa regulations, however much it is dictated by logical ends, will result in delays, and possibly rejection, of emigration permits.

We hope Israel reconsiders her policy.

From secularism to Orthodoxy

The teshuvah of Uri Zohar

THE JEWISH WORLD

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Uri Zohar

Uri Zohar typifies a not uncommon phenomenon in Israel today — the *baal teshuvah*, the secular Jew who embraces Orthodox Judaism.

Zohar, 50, became an Orthodox Jew at the height of his career as a comedian, actor and film director. One evening, he stunned Israelis by appearing on television wearing a yarmulke.

After dropping out of the entertainment world, Zohar — a cross between Lenny Bruce and Woody Allen — entered a yeshiva and embarked on an entirely different course.

Zohar, who had once spent his time "making movies and drinking and smoking on the beach," defected to the *haredim*, the unworldly ultra-Orthodox Jewish community whose black-clad members had always shunned the values and norms he had embraced.

Zohar's *teshuvah* to Orthodoxy shocked Israelis who had been raised on Labor Zionist ideology and educated to believe that Zionism would do away with supposedly anachronistic Jewish practices that smacked of East European ghettos. Instead of being a role model of the new, physically robust Israeli Jew, Zohar harked back to the past, betraying the promise of "normalization" held out by Zionism.

Formerly the archetypal bohemian, Zohar, a paratrooper in his youth, approached Orthodoxy because he felt a spiritual emptiness. In his autobiography, *Waking Up Jewish*, which sold 30,000 copies, he writes: "If... someone had suggested to me that the life of a Torah-observant Jew offered far greater and more significant opportunities for the expression and development of my creativity than my life as an artist offered, I probably would have stood there for a few moments waiting for the punchline. Then, with no punchline forthcoming, I might have suggested to him that in the future he avoid standing in the hot Middle Eastern sun for such a prolonged period of time."

On the eve of his conversion to Orthodoxy, Zohar described himself as someone who experienced "a feeling of intense discomfort" when he was in the presence of Orthodox Jews ("anyone who looked like he was a fugitive from a wax museum's depiction of ghetto life in the Middle Ages.")

At the age of 40, just after he had received the Israel Prize, the government's highest award, Zohar was introduced by a friend who had become a *baal tshuva* to a *haredi* man whom he calls the Yerushalmi, the Jerusalemite. He engaged Zohar in a debate about Torah, and at first Zohar was very skeptical. When the Jerusalemite said he could logically prove that the Torah was divine, Zohar, hoping to debunk his beliefs, began to study with him.

Without success. Zohar tried desperately to refute him. Finally, Zohar became convinced that the Torah was a document of such complexity and consistency that it could not have been written by a human being. His gradual passage to Orthodoxy, he claims, was based not on emotion or mysticism but on pure rationality.

After accepting Orthodoxy, Zohar broke completely with his former life, burning all copies of his films as well as his photo albums.

One of Zohar's closest friends from his bohemian days, rock star Arik Einstein, wrote a plaintive song about him:

He did teshuvah
He is learning Torah now
And with him are his wife and children
And a year has passed
Nothing has changed
It's the same melody and words
But the heart, it wants much more
It tells a different story
and repeats and says
That I have lost a friend.

If Einstein lost a friend, he gained an in-law. Einstein's daughter, who had been brought up in a secular milieu, became Orthodox, and then married Zohar's son.

Today, Zohar, his wife and seven children live in Mattersdorf, *a haredi* neighborhood in Jerusalem. Yossi Klein Halevi, a writer who visited him recently, described Zohar as a tall, broad-shouldered person with a gray beard, blue clear eyes and an intelligent demeanor.

"He seems to fill the room," Halevi observed. "His charisma comes not simply from his previous fame, but from having walked away from it. His half-smile reflects measured delight, a thoroughly confident man. Nowhere in the apartment is there a hint of a life once lived outside Torah."

THE CONVERSOS

This is a story about Jews who were cut adrift from their roots.

In the wake of the Inquisition, Jews who had been forced to convert to Christianity (conversos) left Spain and settled in what is now New Mexico.

The majority melted into the Roman Catholic mainstream, but some of their descendants continued to practice corrupted forms of Judaism, including Friday night candlelighting, ritual hand-washing before meals and an avoidance of pork. Some even spoke Ladino, the Spanish dialect of Sephardi Jews, and worshipped a "St. Esther," the heroine of the Purim holiday.

Thanks to two researchers, further light is being shed on the conversos of the American southwest. Stan Hordes, of the New Mexico State Historical Society, and Tomas Atencio, of the University of New Mexico, have been collecting the oral histories of families who trace their ancestry to the conversos.

A few of the converso families, having discovered their Jewish roots, have formally converted to Judaism. But most of them seem reluctant to have their centuries-old secret revealed.

NOTES ON JEWISH WARRIORS

Marcus Spiegel, the son of a rabbi, was born near Worms, in Germany. After immigrating to the U.S., he earned his living as a peddler. Upon marrying a Quaker who converted to Judaism, Spiegel joined the army.

He rose in the ranks, becoming a colonel in the Civil War — the highest rank attained by a Jewish officer in the Union army during that fratricidal conflict.

Marcus Spiegel

Ten thousand Jews fought in the Civil War — 7,000 on the Union side and 3,000 for the Confederates.

On May 3, 1865, in a battle at Red River, Louisiana, Spiegel was wounded. He died on the following day. He was all but 35.

During the war, Spiegel kept a diary, which was published recently by Kent University Press. The book was edited by Jean Powers Soman, his great-great granddaughter, who describes Spiegel as "an ardent patriot."

One of Spiegel's daughters, Lizzie, was a co-founder of the National Council of Jewish Women.

A Rockville, Maryland, resident has made an amazing discoverey.

While leafing through the National Archives, William Suhler discovered that his great-uncle, Simon, had won a Congressional Medal of Honor during the post-Civil War Indian Wars.

Simon Suhler is the only known Jew to have won the Congressional Medal of Honor in that period.

He won it "for bravery in scouts and actions against Indians" on July 24, 1869.

Before his death in 1895, at the age of 51, Suhler served as a sewing machine agent, bookkeeper, lightning rod agent and adjutant of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Aron, his older brother, was a Reform rabbi who turned to selling life insurance.

Opinion

Winner of numerous awards

Filmmaker Harry Rasky seeks "emotional truth"

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

When knowledge comes, memory comes too, little by little. Knowledge and memory are one and the same thing. As narrated by Harry Rasky, from his film To Mend the World.

TORONTO —

Harry Rasky, whose genius as a filmmaker has been recognized around the world, has two images from his childhood that have influenced his brilliant career as a writer, producer, and filmmaker — the sound of his pious father singing from the Scriptures, and the vision of chicken blood flowing and feathers flying.

Always present is the memory of the McKay St. shul and his Russian immigrant father's cantorial chanting. "My father was having a personal relationship with God."

And he carries a vivid picture of chickens ritually butchered by the senior Rasky who was a shoichet, "not a merchant by nature but a scholar."

It was tough growing up during the Depression and all eight Rasky children, who lived in crowded quarters behind a store on St. Clair Ave. W., had to pitch in with deliveries and other tasks. Harry dreamed that one day he would escape from poverty — and the chickens.

"The fact is that all those colors of the chickens, the wild vivid colors, left such an impression that for me, the world was never a world of black and white — it was always a world of exciting colors — the color of real life and death in a way."

And from the haunting sounds and pragmatic sights of his childhood, Rasky melds a magnificent mosaic of compassion, sensitivity and insight into the essence of mankind and the universality of human feeling. Each of his films, says Rasky, "is in search of an emotional truth."

There is a "golden thread of life" that links his subjects, a life force or *neshuma* (soul) as he calls it, that weaves its way through people and places, among them Marc Chagall, George Bernard Shaw, Tennessee Williams, Teresa Stratas, Arthur Miller, Henry Moore, Mahatma Gandhi, Fidel Castro, Baryshnikov, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, and his award winning film on the Holocaust, *To Mend the World*.

In an unprecedented tribute to Canada's master filmmaker, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation has given Rasky the singular honor of televising a 12-part retrospective of some of his major films during its 1988 summer season.

Titled, *Rasky's Gallery: Poets, Painters, Singers and Saints*, the 18-hour series is hosted by Rasky himself, who introduces each film and recounts his personal experiences with some of the great creative figures of our time. The series, which will be presented weekly at 8 p.m. on Thursdays until Sept. 8, began on June 2 with *The Wit and World of G. Bernard Shaw*. And Harry is thrilled that Toronto's Mayor Art Eggleton declared that day "Harry Rasky Day" to mark the start of the series.

Interviewed in his cluttered but organized office at CBC's Bay St. operation, Harry, whose long and illustrious career has won him over 200 international prizes including two Emmys and two Academy Award nominations, sits back meditatively, strokes his thinning hair, and reflects on his life and career.

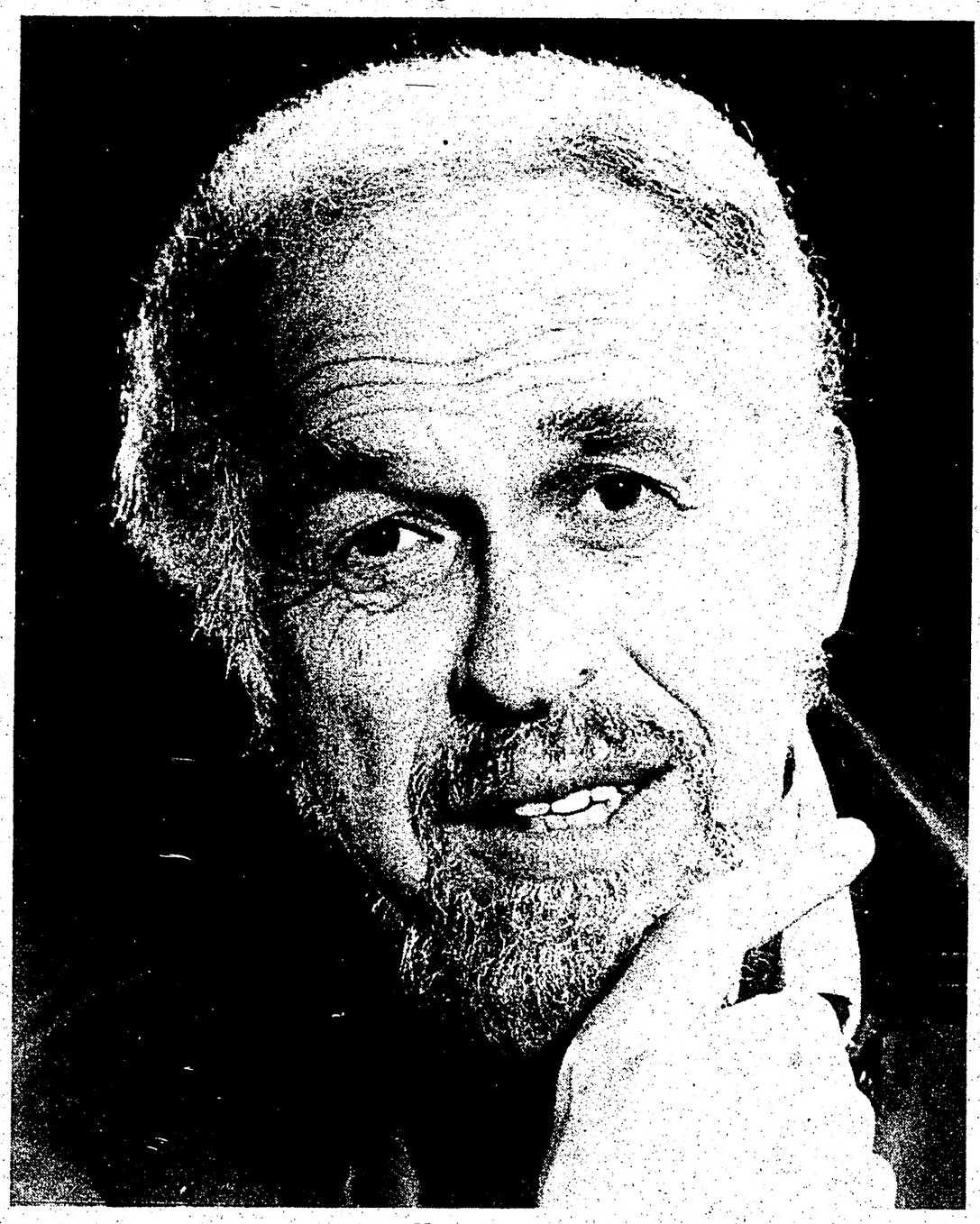
It was at Oakwood Collegiate that he found an escape from the harsh reality of his early years. He wrote for the Canadian High News and was issued a press card. "My world changed." He soon discovered that "if you were covering an event, you were treated somewhat specially. You did not have to wait in line."

At the University of Toronto, he wrote for the Varsity paper and became involved in the UC Follies. His father tried to convince his sons to become pharmacists or lawyers — they could earn money while learning a profession.

"I'm grateful to my brother Frank (a well known writer, author, and The CJN's entertainment editor) — he led the way for me by working as a reporter and proving to my father that you could make a living as a writer."

After graduating from university, Rasky wrote for several small town newspapers. In 1950, filled with optimism, he returned to Toronto where he learned that the Toronto dailies had a policy of hiring only a certain number of Jews and, "my number was not up." Then, CKEY's owner Jack Kent Cooke hired him to write commentaries for a young and promising actor and newscaster, Lorne Greene.

When television came to Canada in the early 1950s, Rasky joined CBC as a producer. Working with talented Canadians, among them Norman Jewison, Ted Kotcheff and Arthur Hiller, he produced more than 100 weekly half-hour films for Newsmagazine.



Harry Rasky

Two years later, Rasky decided to join CBC cameraman Felix Lazarus who was taking a working trip through Europe and the Middle East. On his 8-month trip, Rasky interviewed many international celebrities. He persisted, but failed to get an interview with the Queen, but he was invited to Buckingham Palace for tea with the Queen — along with a thousand other people. One of the highlights of his trip, he notes, was an interview with David Ben-Gurion.

On his return to Canada, he looked for a new challenge. He left for Los Angeles and then New York. In 1956, CBS hired him to script a series on American history. With little knowledge about the subject but with a great deal of chutzpah, he bluffed his way through his first film with CBS which won a Freedom Foundation Award, and earned him a 5-year contract. It took him around the world, working with Edward R. Murrow, Howard K. Smith, Eric Sevareid, and other pioneers in television.

In his autobiography, *Nobody Swings on Sunday: The many Lives and Films of Harry Rasky*, **he writes about the bitter and the sweet of living in New York. He covered stories on war and violence — the assassination of the Kennedys and Martin Luther King, revolutions in Latin America and Africa, and the Vietnam war where a hand grenade rolled over his foot but didn't explode.**

It was in New York that the 36-year-old cerefree bachelor made two decisions that altered the direction of his personal life and his career. He met and married Arlene and he decided to return to Canada.

Rasky says meeting his wife has been a kind of miracle. "She is devoted, patient, charming, and a tender soul . . . and a great help to me in my work."

With a chuckle, Rasky recalls that his traditional-minded father had been very concerned about him waiting so long to get married and settle down. "My father would call my friend Gerry Morris (presently The CJN's New York theatre critic), and without a hello, he asked him, 'Gerry, why my Harry no marry?' and then just as abruptly, he hung up."

Several years after they were married, Rasky's life took another turn. Working for the three major American networks, he became disenchanted with news documentary — "I was sick of dealing with half-truths," — and realizing that American networks weren't interested in documentaries anymore, Rasky decided to go home.

He formed a special association with CBC which gave him the freedom to produce, what a Los Angeles Times critic dubbed "a Raskymentary," a biographical film with a mixture of drama and documentary.

Rasky's philosophy is simple: "A film can only produce passion in a viewer if passion has been felt by the filmmaker." At 60, Rasky still feels excitement and passion as keenly as he did 35 years ago, when he was a cub reporter.

His films, many considered classics, have been translated into 50 languages and shown in 100 countries. He excels in his judgment to ask penetrating and down-to-earth questions — and he makes each subject relevant to his viewers.

"I think being a filmmaker of non-fiction is the closest thing we have today to being an international rabbi," he says. "It is a method of spreading the truth as seen by one person. And what film does is that it allows you to see what I call an emotional truth, and to convey truth through emotion. When I begin to wonder where the skill to do it came from, I hearken back to my days on St. Clair Ave. and the McKay St. shul."

Being Jewish, says Rasky, is to be creative. "God was the great creator. You get closer to God when you are creating something." And this, Rasky has done to perfection.

Turning to some of the films that will be presented in the retrospective, the film most seen, most awarded, and the most translated art film in history is Rasky's *Homage to Chagall: The Colors of Love*. Rasky reflects on his first meeting with Chagall, "Immediately, I felt something of Ben-Gurion in him, something of my father, something of a playful boy." When Chagall, who was reluctant to be interviewed, saw the completed film, he cried out, "Perfect."

Tennessee Williams' South, which has become a documentary classic, brought Rasky a close friendship with the legendary playwright. "Williams called me his soul brother and this was very meaningful to me," says Harry. "It was an astonishing friendship, despite our different backgrounds." They remained friends until Williams' death in 1983 and to commemorate his love and admiration for Williams, Rasky recently published a book titled, *Tennesse Williams: A Portrait in Laughter and Lamentation*.

Also included in the CBC retrospective is *Next Year in Jerusalem*, selected by the Association of Canadian Radio and Television Artists as the best film of the year. This film has special significance for the bearded poet-with-a-camera. He says that it is a tribute to his father and to those who prayed to return to Jerusalem, but never did.

The narrator, Lorne Greene, intones passages from the Scriptures and there is a haunting rendition of a Hebrew lament, Rachel Weeps for her Children, sung by Cantor Louis Danto. The cast includes John Colicos, Sam Jaffe and Barry Morse.

Other Rasky films in the series are, *The Peking Man Mystery, Arthur Miller on Home Ground, The Song of Leonard Cohen, Stratasphere, Raymond Massey: Actor of the Century, The Mystery of Henry Moore, and Karsh: The Searching Eye*.

The concluding film in the series will be *To Mend the World*, which was directed, written, and narrated by Rasky. The film is about the Holocaust as seen through the eyes of artists who survived. Rasky has dedicated the film "to those who did not live to tell or paint their stories."

In his eloquent narration, Rasky comments, "Art gives voice to what history denied, silenced and persecuted. Art brings truth to the lies of history." This movingly expressive and powerful film features former University of Toronto philosphy professor Emil Fackenheim.

On July 5, Rasky's most recent film on the painter Degas (produced by the CBC and the New York Museum of Modern Art), will be presented on CBC. "This is the first time I've ever done a film on an anti-semite," says Rasky. "It was a tough film to make because I love his paintings, but I still don't like him."

Looking back on his life and prolific career, Harry says that his activities are measured by two things, "the level of excitement of my work and the satisfaction I receive from my family." He says, with admiration, that many of his films come from his wife. "Chagall, Tennessee Williams and the film on Teresa Stratas all originated with Arlene."

The Raskys have two children. Holly, 22, recently graduated from Sarah Lawrence College in New York State. She plans to enter a law program. And Adam, 19, a student at New College in Sarasota, Fla., hopes to study medicine.

Rasky is projecting his message on film to millions of people around the world. He uses a different dimension than his forefathers but his message of "the golden thread of life" will be perpetuated in film archives for many generations to come.

Harry Rasky with Vava and Marc Chagall, from the documentary Homage to Chagall: The Colors of Love. [CBC photo]

Opinion

Iran sustains major military setbacks

Iraq takes the initiative in protracted Gulf War

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

An Iranian firefighting tugboat extinguishes flames on an oil platform attacked by U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf. [Canapress photo]

The protracted, highly destructive Gulf War has taken a dramatic turn.

Iran, which had been on the offensive for the past few years, has suffered several major military setbacks of late. Iraq, which had been bogged down, has surprised its enemy with two bold initiatives.

• In mid-April, Iraq recaptured the Faw Peninsula, the largest chunk of land held by Iran since the outbreak of the war in September of 1980. Iran had captured it in February of 1986, giving it control of the mouth of the Shatt al-Arab estuary, which flows into the Persian Gulf, and putting it within missile range of Kuwait's oil fields further south.

• Last month, Iraq drove Iran from the marshlands east of Basra, Iraq's southern provincial capital and second largest city. Iranian forces had driven to within earshot of Basra in 1987.

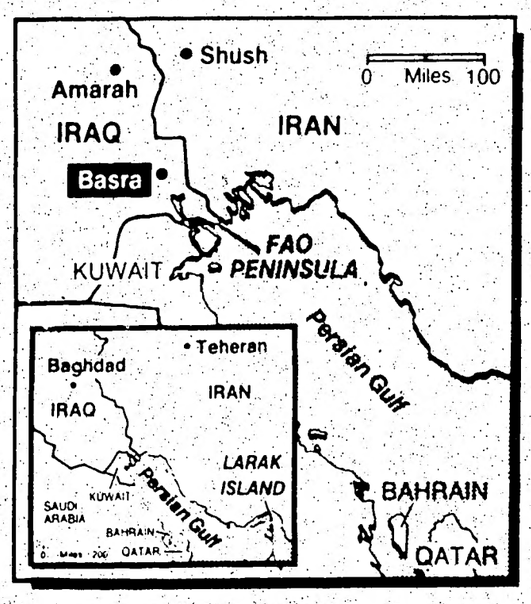
At around the same time, Iraq resumed its aggressive air war against Iranian-leased oil tankers plying the Persian Gulf. In one devastating blow, Iraqi aircraft bombed Lanark Island, Iran's offshore terminal in the Strait of Hormuz, and set fire to five tankers.

One of the targets was the Seawise Giant, which, at 564,739 tons, is the world's largest vessel.

Since the start of the so-called tanker war in 1984, more than 500 ships have been damaged by hostile fire. Iraq initiated the tanker war in an attempt to stop Iran's oil exports, which fuel its war effort. In reaction, Iran began attacking Iraqi tankers.

As Iraqi troops converged on the Faw Peninsula, American warships in the Persian Gulf destroyed two Iranian oil platforms, which had produced about 150,000 barrels of pretroleum per day, and sank or crippled six of Iran's naval vessels. President Ronald Reagan ordered the action in retaliation for the Iranian mining of a U.S. navy ship a week earlier.

Reagan's decision to hit back at Iran pushed Washington deeper into an informal alliance with Baghdad, widened the conflict (the bloodiest in the history of the Middle East), and served notice on Teheran that Iraq is not its only adversary in the region.



In purely tactical terms, Iraq's victories were undoubtedly great morale boosters for the Baathist regime of President Saddam Hussein. For the first time since 1982, Iraq had wrested territory from Iran. In larger strategic terms, however, Iran's stinging defeats, both at the hands of Iraq and the U.S., may well prolong this seemingly endless struggle and confirm the apt observation that Iraq cannot win the war and that Iran cannot lose it.

Iraq is incapable of winning because Saddam Hussein is not prepared to invade Iran, which is what it would take to achieve total victory. Although Iraq is better armed than Iran, Iraq has been very hesitant to commit huge quantities of troops to a general offensive.

With its much smaller population, Iraq is far more sensitive to casualties than Iran. In wresting the Faw Peninsula and the Basra marshlands from Iran, Iraq sustained relatively few losses, partly because Iran had undermanned these positions.

It is doubtful whether Iraq would have undertaken these operations had they been fully manned.

Iran can't lose because of its considerable manpower advantage and the fanaticism of its Islamic fundamentalist leadership, which is committed to the war. Iran's aging spiritual leader, the Ayatollah Khomeini, is determined to stand fast, even in the face of serious setbacks.

Iraq started the war in the hope of scoring a quick and decisive triumph over Iran, its historic enemy. Saddam Hussein calculated that Iran, having been gravely weakened by internal problems brought on by the 1979 overthrow of the Pahlavi monarchy, would prove to be no match for Iraq.

He was only partly right.

In the intial phase, Iraqi forces swept into Iran's border areas, sending Iranian troops reeling in disarray. But the rout was very short-lived. Iran, fortified by religious faith and the willingness of its troops to sacrifice themselves in costly human wave attacks, eventually turned the tables on Iraq with a series of bloody offensives that cost each side dearly.

Precise casualty figures do not exist, at least in the public domain. But it is reliably estimated that both sides have lost *hundreds of thousands* of soldiers, with the toll of wounded even higher.

The carnage in the Gulf War is simply unimaginable:

Despite the steady bloodletting, Iran and Iraq slog on. The war has unified Iran, much to the chagrin of Iraq, and reinforced its desire to export its Islamic revolution. Cognizant of Iran's goal, the Arab world has rallied behind Iraq. Only recalcitrant Syria backs Iran.

Iraq persists in the hope that Iran will finally accept its terms for peace. Iraq is ready to go back to the status quo as of September 1980. But Iran, disdainful of this relatively generous offer, has haughtily rejected it.

Iran's conditions for ending the war include the resignation of Saddam Hussein, the acknowledgement by Iraq that it was the aggressor, and the agreement by Iraq to pay reparations to the tune of about $100 billion.

Although Iraq has accepted a United Nations Security Council ceasefire resolution, Iran refuses to do so until Iraq admits its war guilt.

Efforts by the Security Council to impose an arms embargo have failed, having floundered on the shoals of self-interest. The super powers, particularly the U.S., favor an embargo. But the Soviet Union, which has improved its relations with Iran after a period of bitter recrimination, now is loath to antagonize its next-door neighbor. And China, which has supplied Iran with Silkworm missiles, seems extremely reluctant to relinquish its lucrative arms trade with Teheran.

With both sides displaying an attitude of intransigence, the war could well go on indefinitely.

In spite of its vulnerabilities, Iraq is well equipped to wage a war of attrition. Being able to buy virtually whatever weapon systems it desires, and having succeeded in test firing a new surface-to-surface missile with a range of 560 miles, Iraq can inflict tremendous damage on Iran.

In the so-called war of the cities, which ended in April, Iraq fired some 200 missiles at Iranian cities, hitting residential neighborhoods, hospitals and mosques. As many as 2,000 Iranians were killed in these barrages.

Iraq, whose air force has grown steadily in the past eight years, is in firm command of the skies. Iran's badly depleted air force is in no position to challenge Iraq's air superiority.

The message that Iraq has been endeavoring to send Iran recently is basically twofold — that it cannot be defeated and that it is prepared to use any means at its disposal to inflict blows on Iran. In a harrowing demonstration of its resolve, Iraq deployed poison gas against its own civilian population, during a recent Iranian thrust into Iraqi Kurdistan. No one doubts that Iraq, if pressed to the wall, would not deploy gas again.

Iran has obviously heard Iraq's message. But there is no sign on the horizon that it has been intimidated by Iraq.

The stalemate continues.

Big houses, big dreams

Happily ever after in suburbia

By
ELAINE KAHN

Once upon a time (about two years ago), a travelling salesman, weighted down with building permits and construction materials, needed a place to stay for the night.

He knocked on the door of the Great Farmer living just north of Metro Toronto and, well, you know the rest — the farmer's daughter, known by the homely name of Richmond Hill, became big with child and started popping houses all over the place.

Big houses. I mean, we're talking "rent my mud room for your convention" time.

We moved here just before that, when my husband decided to become the Richmond Hill rav, selecting our home from one of only two available within walking, but not throwing, distance, of the site of the shul. Had I known our neighborhood, unlike the new ones since, was not chic enough to receive free upscale consumer magazines, I might have waited, though Chainsaw Weekly has just about replaced Goodlife in my affections.

When we moved here, into a house larger than either of us grew up in, 2,300 square feet still meant, in local jargon, more than just the counter space. But things change and one can take refuge in snarky fantasy, especially after one too many friends has given your home the yuppie kiss of death by pronouncing it "comfortable." Up there nowadays, this is a compliment only from your mother.

Culture means drag-racing after midnight

Well, I say to myself behind their backs, at least mine's furnished.

That's one fantasy I live with — that my peers buying these enormous homes have only one bridge table, four sleeping bags and order in a lot of pizza.

Another fantasy is that they all, in fact, do have the megabucks to stake me to a large amount of adventure capital (to, for example, travel around the world for two years en famille, researching beaches) before our Jewish organizations wake up and realize there's a gold mine up here if only they'd buy a map. It's getting very tiresome watching committees in "the city" laugh until they split their Kleins every time I suggest hosting a meeting.

Last evening, en route to a meeting south of the green line, I passed a large herd of grazing sheep. Acted on me like a tonic, it did, Elmer, just like them daffydils that Wordsworth feller was always jawin' about.

Still, the first thing I was asked at the meeting, immediately after friends inquired whether it's a perm or I'd just stuck my finger in a socket, was "have you adjusted yet?"

Adjusted to what? You think I'd have missed a chance to live in a place where culture means drag-racing through the parking lot of the Catholic school across the street after midnight and the pastrami is still mooing next door?

. . . and they lived happily after.

Opinion

Let's all go next time

Recent trip to Israel safer than my first in 48

By
J. B. SALSBERG

My dearly beloved readers, I'm delighted to resume our weekly rendezvous in this privileged corner, after a lapse of weeks during which I, in company with 25 exceptional people, visited Israel.

J. B. Salsberg

How you managed to survive that painful separation I shall never know. As for me, the isolation was positively indescribable. The next time I go to Israel, all of you must join me to make that the biggest group tour to Israel!

I intend to share with you the nature and purpose of my tightly scheduled 2-week group tour to Israel. (I always share everything with you, don't I?) But, before I begin to do that, I wish to chastise those who spread alarmist information about the safety of visiting Israel at this time and thus cause a serious decline of tourism to Israel, at a time when both Israel and world Jewry need to —demonstrate the oneness of our peoplehood more visibly than ever before.

I and my 25-strong group of Torontonians who criss-crossed the Jewish state daily (except Shabbes) in our own bus herewith declare that we encountered neither stones nor bullets, nor hostilities of any kind during our entire tour!

On the basis of our experience I feel fully justified in urging all Canadian Jews to visit Israel now, when Israel's social, economic and political needs for increased tourism are self-evident.

Before leaving we had read of some 60,000 cancellations of tourist bookings. That doesn't, of course, mean that Jews from around the world stopped coming. But, it was felt during our travels that we met more non-Jewish tourist groups (largely of Christian denominational sectors) from Germany, Switzerland, the Scandinavian countries, etc., than we met Jewish tourist groups from Europe and, most particularly, from the United States.

During the latter portion of our tour we did notice an increase in Jewish visiting groups and it was my belief that the increase was due to the determined effort of the Jewish leadership in the U.S.A., Canada and Europe to reverse the process.

But, by and large, there had been a disturbing decline in Jewish tourism to Israel of late, and it was attributed to the grossly exaggerated fear of the "stone-throwing" publicity in the world press. Israelis were, quite understandably, pained by this phenomenon.

As for Canada, we were praised as being above the average (though hardly exemplary) in the maintenance of tourism. It was, for instance, a thrilling experience when we, the New Fraternal Jewish Association touring group, came face-to-face with the much larger (70) Community Mission of Toronto Jewish Congress - United Jewish Appeal delegation, led by Steve Ain, its executive director, and Herb Rosenfeld, its president, on the spacious grounds of the Hebrew University (or was it the Hadassah Hospital?) in Jerusalem.

It was a joyous and unexpected linking of kindred tribes or of members of an enlarged family, or the discovery of landsleit.

Readers of this paper will be happy to know that it was Gloria Clamen, of The CJN staff, one of the Toronto Jewish Congress mission group, who recognized my smaller group as it was wending its way to the hilltop.

When she did so, she cried "J.B.!" more loudly than had ever been heard on that ancient plateau, of those ancient hills, of that ancient land. Glory be, Gloria, you were terrific!

Again about the matter of safety. Florida is a notorious badland but it doesn't stop Jews from going there in droves. Is New York safe? Is Detroit safe? Are certain areas of Toronto and Montreal safe? Is the present world safe? Everything being equal, Israel is at least as safe a country to visit as any other country in the world.

On my first visit to the ancient homeland (then called Palestine) in Dec. '47 and Jan. '48 a bomb exploded, during my first night there, at the corner of Mendele and Yarkon Sts. across the Katy Dan hotel (actually no more than a guest house), where the Dan Hotel now stands.

Shprintzak, the then head of Histadrut, vetoed my request to travel to Jerusalem. "The road is unsafe, only those who must reach Jerusalem go, but you don't have to risk your life for a brief visit," he said. He finally agreed to a brief visit to Haifa, and it was done in an armored bus guarded by Hagannah riflemen.

Now, 40 years later, I and my colleagues and friends covered Israel, with the exception of Eilat, stayed for a few days in Haifa, Tiberias, Jerusalem, and Tel Aviv, and also engaged in a very pleasant performance in Kiryat Yam, safely and soundly.

Treat yourself; visit Israel!

(About Kiryat Yam, etc. next week.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 200 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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THANKS, ZUNDEL, FOR REMINDER

Thank you, Ernst Zundel, for awakening some of us from complacency and forgetfulness.

You bring more people to Yad Vashem than I could ever hope to bring.

To refute your accusation, these people come to see some of the 50 million pieces of evidence and documents pertaining to a disgraceful inhumanity.

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They experience an emotionally stirring visit to the "Cave of Mirrors" tribute to a million and a half children who never had the opportunity to make this a better world. Was there an Einstein, Freud, Salk or Irving Berlin among them?

Yad Vashem has vowed that "from generation unto generation . . . we shall remember."

Thank you, Mr. Zundel, for reminding so many people what they shouldn't forget.

Dr. Joel Dimitry
National Chairman
Canadian Friends for
Yad Vashem
Toronto

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PHILOSOPHIC ON SCANDAL

Re your recent front-page article headed "Scandal hits German Jews":

It reported that the scandal surrounding the late president of the West German Jewish community, Werner Nachmann, grew in complexity amid implications that he "may have enjoyed protection in high government circles while he was embezzling reparations funds intended for Jewish victims of Nazism."

Kari Emil Franzos, a German-Jewish writer at the turn of this century, wrote in one of his books: "Every country has the Jews it deserves."

Dr. Julius Pfeiffer
Montreal

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"VANDALS DESERVE TO BE SHOT"

I should like to congratulate Elaine Kahn on her ability to write in a sane and lively fashion about members of her husband's congregation who, in yuppie-style heavy humor, trashed her house which they were supposed to have been guarding.

Among other atrocities, your columnist discovered that the vandals during her absence had filled the beds with balloons and marbles; put a whoopie cushion on her desk chair; rearranged the 1,500 books in the downstairs library; and had posted a ransom note beside fresh bite marks on her desk reading:

"Write this up in your column or you'll never see your *Folk Fiddling From Sweden* LP again."

If my husband's congregation had done something like that, I should be reaching for the nearest shotgun. I don't know how to use a gun, but I could learn.

Personally, I have an extra-efficient housesitter, because I learned many years ago that congregants aren't always to be trusted.

Miriam Pavey
Kitchener, Ont.

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DRUG PEDDLERS ARE MURDERERS

The siblings of the hippie flower-children commune-dwellers' generation of the 1960s have inherited an evil legacy that is personified in the death of 14-year-old Benji Hayward. They are out of control, because society in general has long since abdicated the will to implement the long overdue legislation that would make the selling of illegal drugs to our children an act of premeditated murder.

The problem really grew out of the innocence of the 1950s that spawned the experiment phase of the permissive society that was the 1960s.

Continued on by the easy availability that presented itself in the 1970s, we have now reached the acceptance stage we now see in the demoralizing 1980s.

These are the reasons why the billion-dollar-a-year industry of death flourishes today. While crime is rampant, retribution is plainly absent.

Walter A. Blunt
Toronto

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HASN'T OUTLIVED COPYRIGHTS

I am writing in reference to your recent article entitled "CBC Radio will feature life, music of Irving Berlin."

In this article, a reference was made that Irving Berlin has outlived the copyright of many of his over 1,000 songs.

I would refer you to the Copyright Act, R.S., c.55. Berlin's songs would fall into the category of "musical works." Section 5 of the act specifically provides that the term for which copyright shall subsist shall be the life of the author and a period of 50 years after his death.

Since Mr. Berlin has just celebrated his 100th birthday, it is unlikely that he has outlived any of the copyrights of his musical works.

Jerry Herszkopf
Toronto

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PAY TWINS HARMED BY NAZIS?

In your issue of May 26, a letter appeared written by Ruth Marmorstein of Coral Gables, Fla., with regard to special indemnification being offered by the West German government to twins who were subjected to so-called medical experiments in Auschwitz.

I do not know whether persons who receive a monthly pension for damage to health are entitled to this special grant and have asked the director of the central office for information. As soon as this will be received, we shall inform the Jewish public.

The telephone numbers for interested parties are:

Montreal: (514) 844-2821, or
Toronto: (416) 630-2920.

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Reader says Sylvester Stallone as Rambo II deserves "condemnation and outrage" rather than a review describing his film mayhem as "entertaining."

KNOCKS KIRSHNER'S RAMBO REVIEW

I would like to register my disappointment with Sheldon Kirshner's June 2 review of *Rambo III*.

Though he mentions the simplicity and superficiality of the movie, Kirshner leaves the reader with the message that, these flaws aside, the movie is exciting and wholly entertaining.

Now, I generally find Kirshner's reporting to be informative and intelligent, but I notice that as a film reviewer, he has a tendency to go out of his way to find something positive or appealing about a film.

It is common knowledge that a critic who issues only praise (even praise in lesser or greater degrees) is not performing the valuable service that a critic should be performing.

It is the duty of a critic to congratulate where congratulations are merited, but also to condemn where condemnation is justified and necessary.

Surely, *Rambo III*, the third of a group of movies which oversimplify the world situation, which promote hatred, and which encourage huge numbers of people, including many young people, to participate vicariously and look favorably upon the violent resolution of conflicts, is a movie that deserves condemnation and outrage.

"Entertaining" is not the way to describe insulting, idiotic drivel such as *Rambo III*; it is Mr. Kirshner's duty as a critic not to suffer fools like Sylvester Stallone gladly.

Paul Rose
Toronto

Sheldon Kirshner replies: Thank you for your thoughtful letter. I can't disagree that Rambo III is essentially trash. However, I would have been less than honest had I said I didn't enjoy it. If you read my review carefully, you would have noted such phrases as: "liberties which . . . are absolutely outrageous," "a ridiculous comic book figure," and "for all its obvious faults."

Last but not least, I wrote: "I was repelled by its preachy, simplistic political outlook. . . ."

Let me add that I do try to find positive things in a film, but that I criticize when the occasion calls for it.

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ISRAEL NEEDS US

Why do most Jews continue to spend their travelling time and dollars in places other than their homeland? It is even more disturbing to read that we are now cancelling travel because of the situation there.

Having just returned from the Holy Land I am once again astounded by what the country has to offer. It is a country overflowing with the wonders of nature and steeped in thousands of years of culture and history.

We are truly blessed with the State of Israel. She needs our support now more than ever and we must be counted on to give it — for who else will? So let's go now and spend our hard earned dollars where they deserve to be spent.

Joe Halpert
Toronto

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MANY NATIONALITIES

David Birkan's statement that mostly Jews and Soviet prisoners of war were murdered in Buchenwald (Diary of a People, April 7) might lead your readers to the errnoneous conclusion that Jews or Russians constituted the majority of that camp's inmates.

According to reliable *estimates* (because Jews were registered under the nationality of their country of citizenship), of the 133,000 inmates of the main camp, Jews — who were undoubtedly the largest and most persecuted group — accounted for 49,000.

Next came Christian Poles, numbering around 23,000.

Soviet citizens (of diverse nationalities) accounted for 22,000, and Frenchmen for 19,000.

Mark Paul
Toronto

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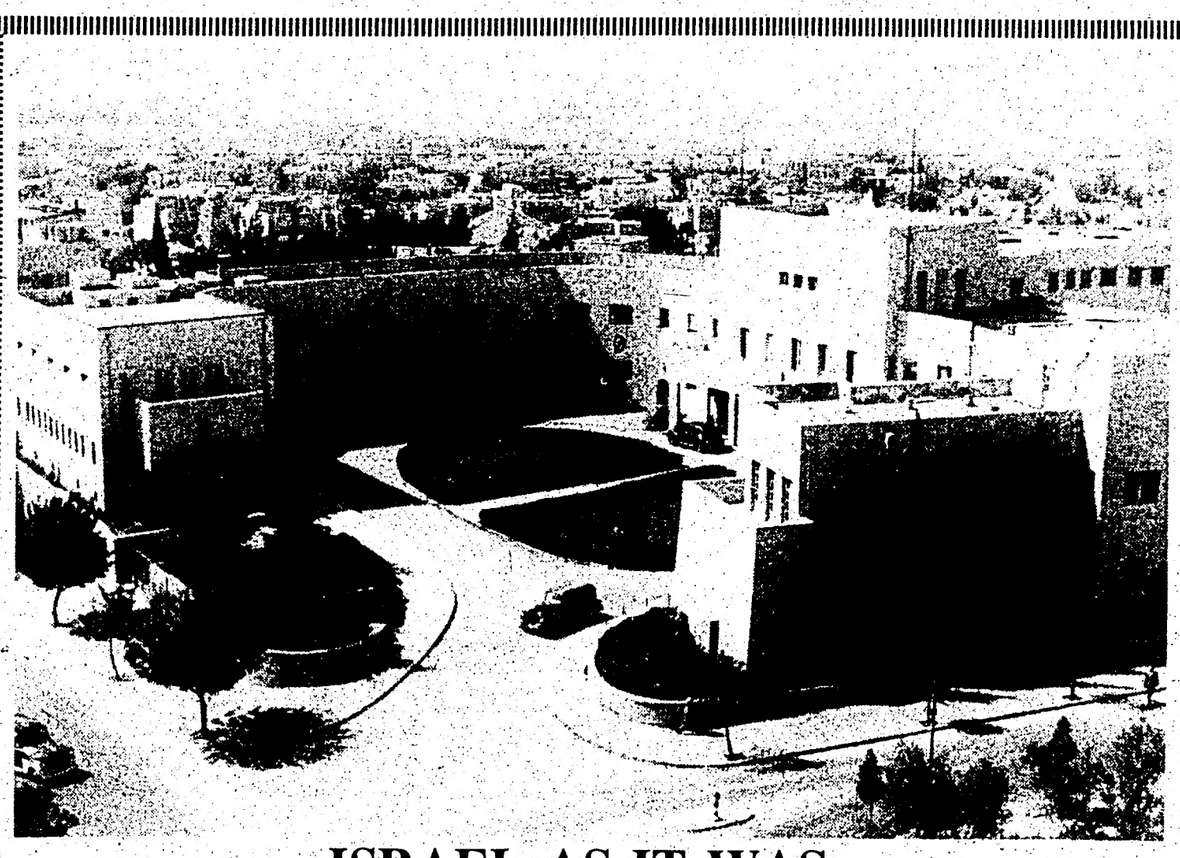

ISRAEL AS IT WAS

The Jewish Agency building in Jerusalem, as it appeared several decades ago, is framed by bare hills that have since been brought back to life by vigorous afforestation programs.

East Germany to pay the victims of Nazism

BONN (JTA) — **East Germany is for the first time negotiating the payment of reparations to Jewish victims of Nazism and intends to make 100 million marks (some $58 million) available for that purpose, according to Heinz Galinski, chairman of the Central Council of Jews in West Germany.**

Galinski said this was confirmed to him during a 90-minute meeting with East German leader Erich Honecker. It was the first such encounter between the East German Communist boss and the leader of West Germany's Jewish community.

Galinski said the negotiations are apparently taking place in the United States between the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany and a delegation headed by East Germany's ambassador to Washington.

The Claims Conference negotiated a reparations pact with West Germany more than 30 years ago.

Galinski said that Honecker also promised to look into a more even-handed treatment of Israel by the government-controlled East German news media. Biased reporting about Israel, especially since Palestinian unrest in the territories began six months ago, is held largely responsible for recent anti-semitic incidents in East Germany.

Galinski said Honecker told him East Germany was ready to study new ways to tackle the problem of anti-semitism through the education system.

Honecker also promised to consider a suggestion by Galinski to convene the Volkskammer, the East German parliament, in special session to mark the 50th anniversary of the notorious Kristallnacht next Nov. 30. Kristallnacht, the night of broken glass, was the first organized pogrom in Nazi Germany and marked the start of the systematic persecution of German Jews.

The Bundestag, the West German parliament, also has been asked to observe the anniversary and is considering the matter.

Galinski said Honecker accepted his suggestion to send East German Jewish students to the faculty for Jewish studies at Heidelberg University in West Germany.

Honecker also promised that a special effort will be made to better preserve the Jewish cemetery in Weissensee, reputedly the largest in Europe. It has 115,000 gravestones.

Owner of destroyed home compensated

Rabin considers easing restrictions

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin will consider easing restrictions on the Palestinian population in the territories, according to two Knesset members who met with him in his office.

Amnon Rubinstein and Yitzhak Artzi, members of the new Center movement, said Rabin's concessions would be contingent on the continuation of the present relative calm in the territories. According to one report, they could include a reform of the administrative detention appeals process.

Meanwhile, the head of the civil administration in the West Bank, Col. Rami Yadin, handed over a check for 35,000 shekels ($22,000) to a resident of Beita village, near Nablus, as compensation for the destruction of his home by the Israel Defence Force in April.

The IDF demolished 14 homes in Beita as a punitive measure against villagers who took part in an April 6 confrontation with teenage Jewish hikers from the nearby settlement of Eilon Moreh. The man who received the check was found to have had no part in the incident, and the payment was an admission of the IDF's error.

In another development, a military court sentenced Private Yaacov Tamir, 24, to one year in prison for manslaughter in the Gaza Strip last January. The soldier was found guilty of the unwarranted shooting of a local storekeeper, who approached the military truck in which Tamir was riding while other soldiers were chasing stone-throwers.

Tamir, who emigrated from Ethiopia four years ago, was found to have been under great emotional strain at the time of his induction into the armed forces. The military court criticized the decision to assign him to combat duty.

Forest fires linked to unrest

JERUSALEM (JTA) — **Forest fire damage since the beginning of summer is running five times ahead of all of last year, and much of it is the result of arson linked to the Palestinian uprising, Jewish National Fund spokesman David Angel said last week.**

He urged the police and fire departments to do their utmost to prevent the torching of forests that JNF chairman Moshe Rivlin has called the "intifada against trees."

There have been 160 fires since the beginning of May, which have destroyed about 120,000 trees and thousands of acres of grasslands, the JNF spokesman said. The police have arrested nine arson suspects.

Two are 18-year-old youths from the Israeli Arab town of Umm el-Fahm. Five are from Makr village in western Galilee, and two are Druse from Madj el-Shams in the Golan Heights.

But the Palestinian uprising is not the only cause of fire damage. Equally to blame, according to Rivlin, are Israelis whose "worst problem is indifference." He referred to lack of fire-prevention measures in agricultural settlements and the shortage of volunteers to help fight fires in rural areas.

"We told them a thousand times to clear weeds growing near houses, but our pleas fell on deaf ears," Rivlin complained.

Most of the trees destroyed in recent fires were in natural forests. Few JNF-planned forests have been damaged, because of precautions taken last winter. The earth at the edge of forests was sprayed with chemicals to retard the growth of weeds. Weeds, which grow luxuriantly during the wet winter months, burn easily when the hot sun dries them out.

Natural forests can regenerate. But it can take 10 years for new trees to grow from the roots of wild oaks burned last week in a forest fire in the Elah Valley.

Pine trees do not put out new shoots after a fire. The JNF will wait two years before planting new pine saplings.

Meanwhile, three top JNF officials are in the United States to study fire-fighting and prevention methods and to buy new equipment.

Spain criticizes Israeli actions

GENEVA (JTA) — Prime Minister Felipe Gonzales of Spain rapped Israel last week for its alleged violations of human rights in connection with the 6-month-old Palestinian uprising in the territories.

Addressing the conference of the International Labor Organization here, Gonzales said, "It is logical that our concern has grown during the last months with regard to the violation of human rights in the Arab territories occupied by Israel."

The Spanish government, he said, "supports the search for a global, just and lasting solution to the conflict in the Middle East and any decision the ILO might adopt in the sphere of its authority." The ILO is a United Nations agency.

During a news conference, Gonzales elaborated on his remarks, "I think it is evident that the human rights of the Palestinians in the territories are not being respected. Therefore, I stressed that their rights in the field of labor, or purely on a human rights basis, should be respected," he said.

Gonzales met with Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, a fellow Socialist, last month in Madrid, where Peres attended a meeting of the Socialist International.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. What was Marc Chagall's earlier name?
2. What is the "mother" congregation of Australian Jewry?
3. Who wrote The Children of the Dream, an analysis of the rearing of kibbutz children?

Edmond Y. Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. Segal.
2. The Great Synagogue of Sydney.
3. Bruno Bettelheim.

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Left Moscow on temporary visa, now in Israel

Vladimir Tufeld will not return to Soviet Union

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

A roundup of Soviet Jewry news...

An error in calculating the number of Soviet Jews who emigrated in May has led officials to revise their original estimate.

A total of 1,059 Jews emigrated from the Soviet Union last month, 87 fewer emigrants than originally reported, said the National Conference on Soviet Jewry in a Jewish Telegraphic Agency report.

Total Soviet Jewry emigration to date for 1988 is 4,585.

According to JTA, the original May estimate of 1,146 Jews was wrong because of miscalculations by Israel's absorption ministry and the Intergovernmental Committee on Migration in Geneva.

The emigration total was slightly lower in May than in April when 1,088 Jews left the Soviet Union. A total of 8,155 Jews emigrated in 1987.

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Former Refusenik David Goldfarb, who now lives in a Manhattan senior citizen building, returned recently from a 3-week visit to Moscow to see his daughter, Olga, says another JTA report.

Goldfarb — a retired molecular biology professor — said in an interview much has changed in his native land since he left about 1½ years ago.

The ailing 69-year-old man described a country of new paradoxes and "fresh impressions about the situation now," which is "other than it was when I left two years ago."

He also spoke of the positive effects of glasnost and perestroika, the popular catchwords for openness and restructuring.

Goldfarb, now confined to a wheelchair, made headlines in October, 1986 when American industrialist Armand Hammer whisked him from a likely deathbed in a Moscow hospital and flew him out of the Soviet Union in his private jet.

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A new book on Soviet Jewish humor has just been released by U.S. publishers Jason Aronson Inc.

The book — entitled The Jokes of Oppression - The Humor of Soviet Jews — is a unique collection of jokes presenting a humorous, somewhat bittersweet, portrait of life in the Soviet Union as seen through Jewish eyes.

Authors David Harris and Izrail Rabinovich collected hundreds of jokes over a 10-year period from Soviet Jews living in the USSR, the U.S., Israel, and Western Europe.

The hardcover, selling for $22.50 in the U.S., is available by writing to the publishers at 230 Livingston St., Northvale, NJ 07647 or calling (201) 767-4093.

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McGill University law professor Irwin Cotler recently opened the Moscow office of InterAmicus, an international human rights advocacy centre which he founded last year.

Cotler — in the Soviet Union to attend an International Bar Association conference — held the inauguration at the apartment of longtime Refusenik Vladimir Kislik.

Many Refuseniks — including Yuli Kosharovsky, Yuri Zieman and Benjamin Charney — attended the opening, said Cotler in a message relayed to The CJN by Osgoode Hall law professor David Weisstub.

Nobel Prize-winning physicist Andrei Sakharov has agreed to be InterAmicus's co-chairman. Kislik's home will serve as the centre's Soviet address.

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Moscow Refusenik Vladimir Tufeld — who recently left the Soviet Union on a temporary exit visa to join his ailing wife, Isolda, in the U.S. — has moved to Israel and will not be returning to the Soviet Union, says Ben Prossin, director of Canadian Jewish Congress's Ontario Region Soviet Jewry committee.

Vladimir, 59, left for Israel late last month with his wife, who was taken by ambulance from hospital to the airport. They were accompanied by their son, Igor, 30, who emigrated to Israel in 1977, his new wife, Natasha, and the couple's 8½-month-old son Mordechai Michael.

Isolda, still recovering from brain surgery performed in the U.S. after being granted a temporary exit visa from the USSR last December, has been admitted to Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital. It's expected she'll eventually be moved to a nursing home.

The rest of the family can be reached at Nokdim, Mobile Post, Northern Judea, Jerusalem, Israel.

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Longtime Refusenik Roald Zelichonok is still mourning the loss of his mother, who recently died.

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Rick DeBrisay (left) presents a plaque to Harvey Webber as Ethel Webber looks on.

Community leader honored

They're proud of Webber

FREDERICTON —

Community leader Harvey Webber of Sydney, NS, was recently honored for having received the Order of Canada by the Atlantic Provinces Chamber of Commerce at its 92nd Annual meeting.

Rick DeBrisay, current Chamber president, said after reading a list of Webber's achievements and awards: "We are proud that a former Atlantic Provinces Chamber of Commerce president was recognized by Governor-General Jeanne Sauve in her capacity as Chancellor of the Order of Canada."

A plaque then presented to Webber read in part: "Presented to Harvey Webber, CM, QC, in recognition of a lifetime commitment to the civic, social and economic development of Atlantic Canada."

Webber, long identified with many Jewish community groups, was made an Honorary Fellow of the Hebrew University in 1978 and is a regional representative of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. He is a national vice-president of ORT and a former director of the Council of Christians and Jews.

Together with his wife, the former Ethel Nadler of Montreal, he has established repayable student loan funds at many Israeli universities.

Webber was designated Queen's Counsel in 1984, an unusual honor for a non-practicing lawyer. In 1981 he was voted "the Atlantic Canadian who had done most for the region" by the readers of an Atlantic-based magazine. As well, he was selected as the first "Citizen of the Year" in 1964 by the Sydney Kinsmen.

Webber helped initiate and actively headed Community Concerts, Sydney Arts Council, Festival of Music and Speech and the Cape Breton Symphony, in which he played violin.

He headed the Atlantic Symphony in Cape Breton and was governor of the Dominion Drama Festival and Cape Breton County chairman of the United Way and currently heads Leaders of the Way.

He helped initiate the Cape Breton Tourist Association and was for many years regional promoter of Canada Day. He served as director of the YMCA and began its Businessmen's Health Club.

World-National

Links ties to peace conference

Soviet predicts Jews seeking to leave will drop

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care whether they go to Israel or to other countries.

Shevardnadze, who spoke to reporters later, said of Jewish emigration that there are "no obstacles in this area, only some constraints." Asked what the constraints were he said "only military secrets," a reference to the fact that some Jews are denied exit visas because their former jobs may have involved knowledge of classified material many years ago.

According to Shamir, the Soviet foreign minister also said he believes the number of Russian Jews emigrating will drop voluntarily, because the Soviet Union is undergoing major changes and efforts are under way to resolve problems in Soviet society.

Shamir said Shevardnadze told him that the Jewish question in the Soviet Union will be on the agenda of the upcoming Soviet Communist Party conference.

On the issue of Israeli-Soviet relations, Shamir said he and Shevardnadze agreed there is a need for normalization of relations between the two countries. But the question is how it should be done, he said.

According to Shamir, normalization means restoring diplomatic ties and reopening the embassies in each country.

But Shevardnadze made clear that the resumption of diplomatic ties with Israel is "interlocked" with the question of an international conference for Middle East peace.

He said he told the Israeli Premier that the opening of such a conference "will enable us to settle the issue of our relations with Israel." He said that Moscow sees such a conference as the "only way" to reach a Middle East settlement.

Shamir acknowledged that Shevardnadze tried to convince him to change his longstanding opposition to an international peace conference.

He said the Soviet diplomat pointed out that U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz has changed his mind and now supports the international conference scenario and so should Shamir.

But the Israeli Premier stuck to his position that the best way to solve the Middle East conflict is by direct negotiations between all parties.

Moscow wants an international peace conference sponsored by the United Nations Security Council, with the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Shamir said.

Although these differences remain, Shamir said he "came out of the meeting encouraged, because I saw that there is a willingness on the part of the Soviets to reach an understanding with us and to take our views and positions into consideration."

He said the importance of the meeting was the fact that it was held and that views were exchanged, though no new ideas were presented.

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Earlier, in his address to the UN General Assembly, Shamir called for the establishment of a nuclear weapons-free zone in the Middle East, as well as the establishment of a chemical weapons-free zone in the area.

The Israeli leader also called on the Arab nations to scale down the arms race in the area.

"A nuclear weapons-free zone, the end of the arms race in the Middle East and the universal banning of chemical weapons are urgently needed; not only for the sake of the people in our region, but for the sake of all mankind," Shamir declared.

The Prime Minister noted that Israel has proposed a nuclear weapons-free zone in the past, but the Arabs have rejected the idea and refused to negotiate it with Israel.

"We do not understand this blanket refusal," Shamir said. "It reflects a consistent attitude of rejection of any kind of dealing with Israel, even on matters of vital concern to the security and future of the peoples of our region."

Shamir also said that in 1986, Israel proposed to negotiate a reduction of forces in the Middle East. "We know that the burden of the arms race is devastating to the economies of all the countries in the region. And it is getting worse," he said.

Shamir said that it is urgent, even before peace comes, to stop the arms race in the Middle East. He added that Israel is greatly troubled by the introduction of chemical weapons into the region.

"The presence and use of chemical weapons constitute a real threat to the peace of our region and to the peace of the entire world. All enlightened peoples should be alarmed by the arbitrary use of these weapons," he said.

The Israeli Premier was sharply critical of the use of poison gas by Iraq in its war with Iran. "Iraq has used this vicious means of indiscriminate killing in its war with Iran. It is a gross and blatant violation of the Geneva protocol to which Iraq is a signatory," he said.

He also pointed out that Syria has built facilties for the production of poison gas, and he charged that Syria's leaders have threatened to use it against Israel.

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Earlier in the week Shamir said Poland is interested in extending its ties with Israel in all fields, but is still not ready to establish full diplomatic relations.

Shamir met with the Polish foreign minister, Marian Orzechowsky, for one hour at the Regency Hotel here. The Polish official told Shamir that his country is interested in extending its economic and cultural ties with Israel, as well as increasing the exchange of tourists.

Although Shamir speaks Polish, he spoke in English with Orzechowsky, who spoke in Polish through a translator.

Shamir pointed to the deep, historic relations between the two peoples, noting that Jews have been living in Poland for more than a thousand years.

Shamir said he is interested in encouraging visits to Poland by Jewish youth to learn about Jewish history there.

As for economic ties between the two countries, Shamir said he would do his utmost to increase trade with Poland.

He noted that the bilateral trade between the two countries presently stands at $30 million annually, compared to $1 billion in trade between Poland and all Arab nations together.

Israeli officials described the meeting between the two as "very warm and friendly."

Jackson's Jewish support seen up

LOS ANGELES (JTA) —

Jewish supporters of Rev. Jesse Jackson have hailed the results of last week's California primary as a sign that Jewish opposition to their candidate is less solid than had been assumed.

However, results of other primaries show there is still a formidable opposition by Jewish voters to Jackson's candidacy.

According to Los Angeles Times exit polls, 20% of the Jewish voters cast their ballots for Jackson, 73% for Gov. Michael Dukakis, and the remainder for Sens. Albert Gore and Paul Simon who were listed on the ballot although they are no longer active candidates.

The New York Times/CBS News poll, based on questionnaires filled out by 1,947 voters throughout California, shows only 15% of the Jewish vote going to Jackson, and 81% going to Dukakis.

In New Jersey, the opposition to Jackson's candidacy was even stronger. Only 4% of the Jewish voters cast ballots for Jackson, against 94% who voted for Dukakis, acording to the New York Times/CBS poll.

In primary elections earlier this spring, the Jewish vote continued to reflect the strong anti-Jackson sentiment first exhibited in 1984.

In New York's election April 19, a New York Times/CBS News poll showed Jackson receiving 7% of the Jewish vote. The television networks' exit polls had Jackson receiving between 3—10% of the Jewish vote, depending on the poll.

In Pennsylvania's primary April 26, Jackson received 7% of the Jewish vote, according to the Times/CBS poll.

"What the primary results show is that the official voices of the Jewish community do not represent all Jews," commented Sabina Virgo, chairwoman of the Jewish Voters for Jackson division in his national campaign organization.

"Leaders of Jewish institutions represent the more conservative viewpoint of the community," Virgo said, predicting that in any future campaigns, Jackson would try to take his case directly to the average American Jew.

Dukakis pledges support for Israel to visiting Shamir

By WOLF BLITZER

NEW YORK —

Fresh from his California primary victory, Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis telephoned visiting Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir to pledge his strong support for Israel if elected to the White House in November.

Dukakis is said to have also reiterated his commitment to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital if elected.

The Prime Minister said that initial reports reaching him from the Arab summit in Algiers were very disturbing. Israeli officials quoted Shamir as saying: "We don't hear moderate voices there."

The Prime Minister went on to express hopes that the enhanced U.S.-Israeli strategic cooperation of recent years would continue under a Dukakis administration. The Governor replied that the U.S. would continue to maintain strong ties with Israel if he were President.

Shamir noted that one of Israel's great strengths over the years has been its very "intimate" relationship with the United States.

Regarding the peace process, Shamir recalled that it had been the Likud Party that lead the Israeli government to the signing of Israel's first-ever peace treaty with an Arab state. He was referring to the Israeli-Egyptian Peace Treaty of 1979.

Dukakis, in reply, expressed hope that his party would be able to help Israel sign additional peace treaties in the years ahead.

Israeli officials said the two men spoke for about 15 minutes on June 7, the Prime Minister in his Regency Hotel suite in New York and the Massachusetts governor in Los Angeles. Earlier in the day, Dukakis effectively wrapped up the Democratic nomination, trouncing Rev. Jesse Jackson in the California contest.

Proper medical attention sought for Anne Pollard

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Attorneys for Anne Henderson Pollard have filed an appeal in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia seeking proper medical treatment and/or commutation of her sentence to time served.

Pollard, 28, wife of convicted spy Jonathan Pollard, suffers from severe gastrointestinal disorders, allegedly exacerbated by her incarceration in federal prisons.

Her attorneys say in their appeal that she has received grossly inadequate medical care, has lost 60 pounds and is in almost constant pain.

Pollard has served 18 months of two concurrent 5-year sentences as an accessory after the fact to her husband's possession of national defence documents and conspiracy to receive embezzled government property.

Jonathan Pollard is serving a life sentence for spying for Israel.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed of the latest appeal by Pollard's father, Bernard Henderson. He said her attorneys, Nathan Dershowitz and Victoria Eiger, have been trying unsuccessfully to allow her private physician to treat her.

Henderson told the JTA that on May 9 his daughter was transferred from federal prison in Lexington, Ky., to a federal prison in Rochester, Minn., where the Mayo Clinic is located.

Since then, she has been given only three tests at the clinic, and her personal physician before her arrest, Dr. Michael Goldberg, who practices in Chicago, has not been allowed to visit her, Henderson said.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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SOUPCOFF

Since I got to know Harold Soupcoff, the Toronto real estate developer, I was intrigued with his surname. It looked like he might be a kinsman of the Campbells.

I finally satisfied my curiosity by discovering the shtetl of SUBKOWY in northern Poland not far from GDANSK, a port on the Baltic Sea, once known as DANZIG.

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Alberta decision criticized

Hatemongers opportunity?

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Prutschi noted that the anti-hate legislation (s. 281.2(2)) was "a very carefully crafted law." It was enacted in 1970 upon the recommendations of a 1965 blue ribbon commission, which included Maxwell Cohen, then dean of McGill law school, Pierre Trudeau, later to become Prime Minister, and Mark MacGuigan, later federal justice minister.

"It was very mindful of civil libertarian concerns regarding the rights of the accused and for free expression," Prutschi said.

However, the court ruled the provision "is inconsistent with the protection of freedom of expression in Section 2 of the Charter because mistakes of fact by speakers — even by speakers who have no reasonable grounds for the mistake — are protected by the Charter.

"Moreover," the court continued, "s. 281.2 is not a 'demonstrably justifiable' limit on free speech...its sweep is too broad. It does not require that anybody actually come to hate a member of a protected group as a result of the promotion of hatred by the offender.

"The only protection offered by the law from that is that we should place our trust in prosecutorial discretion, and this is an inappropriate and an inadequate protection of a Charter right."

The court found the section "provides that no person shall be convicted if what he said is true. But it also provides an accused must prove what he said was probably true before he can successfully invoke the defence.

"This obligation of proof raises the possibility that he might be convicted by a jury who have a doubt on the point, a possibility inconsistent with section 11(d) of the Charter, which provides that every person accused of a crime must be presumed innocent."

In New Brunswick, provincial Attorney General Jim Lockyer said that even before the Keegstra decision, he had recommended the creation of a "working group" to study the anti-hate law and the false news section of the Code.

At the federal-provincial conference of justice ministers in Quebec last month, New Brunswick proposed an interprovincial task force be created with the assistance of the federal government to study the sections with a view to making them more effective and to make sure they come within the Charter's provisions, Lockyer told The CJN.

Alberta, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Ontario along with the federal government agreed to participate in the project, he said, which is now only in its incipient stages.

The Keegstra decision may effect the 6-9-month time span originally foreseen for the task force, he added.

The Alberta court decision will impact on the case of Moncton-area school teacher Malcolm Ross, against whom complaints of violating the hate laws have been raised, Lockyer said.

While the Alberta judgment does not bind New Brunswick (or other provinces') courts, it is considered persuasive in other jurisdictions.

"I just can't ignore that decision," Lockyer said.

Meanwhile, the Ontario Court of Appeal continues to consider the cases of Donald Andrews and Robert Smith, both of whom have appealed convictions under the anti-hate laws. Smith was ordered jailed for seven months and Andrews for 12 for the vilification of non-whites in material they published.

It is not inconceivable that the Ontario court could rule the hate law is valid, said Bruce Elman, a professor of law at the University of Alberta. That would leave the state of the law uncertain in most of Canada and make it more likely the Supreme Court would grant leave to hear it.

However, it could be well over one year before any decision is given, he added.

Hal Joffe, a spokesman for the Calgary Jewish community, said the local federation will urge Attorney General Jim Horsman to appeal the decision to the Supreme Court for a definitive ruling that balances the right of free speech versus the right of groups to be protected from group slander.

Sheldon Maerov, president of the Edmonton Jewish federation, said: "We are concerned that other fringe elements may see this as an opportunity for them to spew their venom and their anti-semitic views."

Shefman noted that the decision could have an impact on other minority communities who could be the target of hatemongers. The law stood as "a barrier to that," he said.

Joseph Wilder, chairman of the national joint community relations committee of Congress, said "the Criminal Code must remain an important option in safeguarding the dignity of all Canadians. Those who threaten to disrupt multicultural harmony and tolerance must be discouraged from believing they have nothing to lose in promoting hatred of identifiable groups."

The decision certainly takes into account the right of free speech, Prutschi said. "We are asking, should one not take strongly into account the rights of (its) victims?"

Meanwhile, reports from Alberta indicate Keegstra has suggested he is considering going back to teaching, though Alberta's education minister told the provincial legislature she has ruled out that possibility.

U.S., Soviets narrow Mideast gap

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tion of the West Bank and Gaza and the frustration of Palestinian rights is a dead-end street." (CJN June 9).

Shultz stressed throughout his tour of the area that he had been encouraged, for the first time, by the Soviet attitude on Middle East issues, expressed during the summit meeting between President Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev.

He let it be known that contacts will continue between Washington and Moscow. There will be another meeting between U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs Richard Murphy and his Soviet counterpart, and possibly another session this summer devoted to the Middle East between Shultz and the Soviet foreign minister, Edvard Shevardnadze.

Shultz hinted that he himself might return to the region for yet another attempt to advance his peace initiative before the election campaigns here and in the United States begin in earnest.

All of this has astonished observers here. The Reagan administration's secretary of state seems to be articulating for the first time an American policy that embraces the Soviet Union as a full partner in Mideast peace diplomacy. In the past, such a policy would have been unheard of.

The superpowers are in fact moving, albeit at a frustratingly slow pace, to narrow the gap between their respective views of the nature and meaning of an international conference for Middle East peace. When the gap is closed, they could conceivably move in concert to convene such a conference.

Shultz and other administration officials are realistic enough to acknowledge that this may not happen before the end of the year, which is also near the end of the Reagan administration's term in office.

But Shultz is genuinely concerned over a potential slide toward war in the region in the absence of diplomatic progress. He says, bravely perhaps, that his current efforts will serve to pave the way for further advances under the next administration in Washington.

The Soviets, for their part, have also taken some unprecedented steps — they seem to be bringing pressure to bear on the Palestinians.

Just before the Moscow summit, Gorbachev, in a television appearance, urged the Palestine Liberation Organization to recognize Israel's rights.

Moscow reportedly was active in advance of last week's Arab summit meeting in Algiers to make sure the Arab leaders did not adopt resolutions that would effectively reject the negotiating option.

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There have been important and welcome changes in the Soviet Union and its attitudes to Israel and the Middle East conflict, and the Moscow summit was a public declaration of those changes, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said in the Knesset last week.

For the first time ever, said Peres, the Soviets had declared that any resolution of the conflict must be as acceptable to Israel as to the Arabs, adding that Israel's defence needs are no less important than the national aspirations of the Palestinians.

Peres claimed there was not much reason for the Soviets to intervene against Israel in any international conference. The world scene had changed, and the Soviets had changed within it.

And what more harm could they do to Israel in a peace conference than they had done by supplying weapons to Israel's enemies? Peres asked.

Nazi suspect list given to Bonn

TEL AVIV —

A list containing the names of 52 suspected Nazi war criminals presumed to be living in West Germany was recently submitted to the country's embassy in Tel Aviv by Efraim Zuroff, director of the Israel office of the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Centre.

Among the suspects, all of whom are believed to be from Baltic countries, are members of murder squads such as the Arajs Commando and Lithuanian security police battalions, both of whom were allegedly involved in the murder of tens of thousands of Jews during World War II.

The list brings to 397 the names of suspects revealed by the Wiesenthal Centre and submitted to nine Western governments.

The recent conviction of John Demjanjuk for mass murder at the Treblinka death camp and the efforts by governments around the world to prosecute the perpetrators of the Holocaust are indications of a growing universal recognition for the need to bring war criminals to justice, the Wiesenthal Centre stated in a news release.

The Centre will submit more lists to Western governments in the future, the release added.

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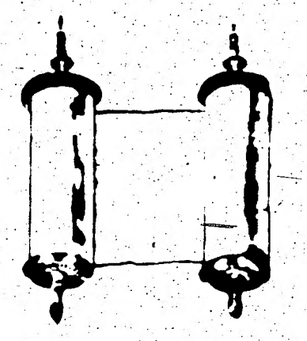

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Korah/Pirkei Avot

The Yetzer Horah (Evil Inclination) is a tough customer. We have to fight him every day.

The only solution? Everything we do must be turned into a mitzvah.

Reb Nachum of Tchernobel was always very poor. In the diary of the Chevra Mishnayos it is reported that he borrowed a ruble and left a sefer as security.

Rabbi Gottesman

His son, Reb Moredechai, on the other hand, ran a chassidic court like an aristocrat, with the finest clothing and furnishings. His father was not pleased at this extravagance.

"Why do you need all this finery?" demanded the father. What good does it do you?"

Explained Reb Moredechai: "In the Talmud it relates that Rabbi Judah the Prince was the wealthiest person of his time. But before he died, he lifted his hands Heavenward and announced: 'I have not had even a little finger's worth of pleasure from this world!' So you see, father, that there is a way to serve the Almighty even through wealth. . . ."

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For most people it is the simple old clever Yetzer Horah whispering: "More! More! More!"

Taught the Chovat Halevavot: The Yetzer Horah is a much more tenacious enemy than any other. A human enemy knows when to give up. You defeat him once, twice, three times and he retreats to his own territory.

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We throw away our lives running after vanities.

How much do we need? How big do our houses have to be? How many companies do we have to own? How many houses do we have to flip? Is that the *tachlis*?

Teaches the Talmud: "No one dies with even half of what he desires in his possession." Even the billionaire only has half of what he wants. Why half? Why not three-quarters? Or 10%? But when a person has $10, says the Talmud, he wants $20. But when he has 20, he is not satisified with 30 — he wants 40! A millionaire doesn't want a 100,000 — he wants another million!

A few hours before I write this my wife and I visited a beautiful child in a hospital for struggling, arthritic children. Every step some of these youngsters took was a universe. Just to stretch out a finger, a triumph. Just to walk normally, to play, to run, a dream.

"More! More! More!" whispers the Yetzer Horah into ears. "You have to keep up! But that is not what a Jew was born for! Not for what he can accumulate, but what he can share!

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The Yetzer Horah moves with cunning. We must respond with saychel, Torah, and mitzvahs. Shabbat Shalom.

Refugee bill criticized

MONTREAL —

Canadian Jewish Congress is disappointed with the government's response to the Senate's suggested amendments to Bill C-55, the legislation restructuring Canada's refugee determination policy.

"By accepting only minimal changes from the Senate's short list of amendments, the government is signalling its intention to proceed with Bill C-55 with all of its serious weaknesses intact," CJC says.

The pre-screening for arrival from a "safe country" and inadequate appeal mechanisms of the legislation, universally criticized by a variety of concerned groups, including Congress, remain entrenched in the legislation."

CJC's original concern with the thrust of the bill remains: that Canada will ultimately be closing its doors to those genuinely in need of help. "We respectfully call upon the government to further amend this legislation to make it more efficient, humane and constitutionally acceptable."

Baker "gives his all" to organization

Impressive fund raising by society

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

Morris Baker is a Toronto lawyer with a thriving practice, but at United Jewish Appeal headquarters he's best known as "Mister All For One Mutual Benefit Society."

The landsmanshaft society, of which he is president, was founded in July, 1934, with a considerably larger membership than it boasts today. That is not unusual for most of the societies that came into being in the 20s and 30s with the great influx of immigrants from Eastern Europe.

These many organizations served a much-needed purpose during those early years when newcomers banded together for mutual comfort and support in a strange and sometimes hostile environment.

The big change came about with the establishment of the State of Israel when members began to look beyond their own societies and self-interests to raise funds for the Jewish homeland and the local Jewish community.

The All For One Mutual Benefit Society went that route and has maintained an outstanding fund raising profile through the years, despite a dwindling membership.

Year after year, the society has made the largest, most substantial Treasury Gift to UJA, in addition to annual campaign contributions by the membership.

Morris Baker

Many other organizations have benefited from the generosity of funds and services provided by the members of the AFOMBS. They include Jewish Family & Child Service, Baycrest Centre and the Canadian Cancer Society, among others.

Morris Baker has just completed a 2-year term as president of Adath Israel congregation, and will continue to "give his all" to the society he has headed for a number of years.

Rabbi praises Boys Town contributions

TORONTO —

Boys Town Jerusalem has done much to promote unity in Israel as well as provide an important component to the country's technological expertise.

So said Rabbi David Monson, a longtime school supporter, in advance of a dinner here June 28 to celebrate both the 40th anniversary of the State of Israel and Boys Town.

More than 5,000 students have registered at Boys Town Jerusalem in 40 years and 98% have graduated, said Monson, who closely follows its teaching program.

"Most of the students who come from over 45 countries, have had to first learn the Hebrew language, then go on to English for technical terms," Monson said.

The students do this while adjusting to their new country and, "by living and learning together, they become a unified group, contributing to unity in Israel," he said.

"It is more than just taking thousands of children from the most disadvantaged sector and in a few years turning them into advanced technicians who take high level positions in industry and defence — as if this in itself wasn't enough!"

For more information and dinner reservations, contact the Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem, 2788 Bathurst St., Suite 200, Toronto M6B 3A3; or phone (416) 789-7241.

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Organizations and People

Chinese, Jews pay tribute to "Mr. Baycrest"

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

It was one of the most unusual dinners and the quintessence of multiculturalism.

The kosher-Chinese Sam Ruth Tribute Dinner event reflected the qualities of a man who has dedicated his life to improving the quality of care for the elderly and the disadvantaged, regardless of their background or origin.

Organized by the Chinese and Jewish communities of Toronto, the mistresses of ceremony set the mood for the evening. Shira Herzog Bessin, the former executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee, welcomed the 1,400 guests in Chinese, and family physician Dr. Nelly Ng spoke in Yiddish.

Representatives from all levels of provincial and municipal governments were there, including Elinor Caplan, Monte Kwinter, Bob Rae, Bob Wong, Dennis Flynn, Fred Beavis and Alan Tonks.

Also present were Senators David Croll and Jerry Grafstein, former Lieutenant-Governor John Black Aird, Xia Xhong Cheng, consul-general of China, and Jean Lumb, first Chinese Canadian to receive the Order of Canada.

The honoree was led to the stage where he participated in the traditional Chinese lion ceremony. As a sign of the highest respect in Chinese tradition, Ruth opened the eyes of the colorful lion which signalled the start of the lion dance performed to ward off any evil spirits.

The Grand Ballroom was alive with color — Chinese umbrellas hung from the ceiling and centrepieces of traditional Chinese fans were mounted on bamboo lattice pieces strewn with kosher fortune cookies filled with Chinese and Jewish sayings, and candies and flower petals completed the trimmings.

The solemnity of Jewish ceremony, and the ruach (spirit) and humor of Jewish and Chinese celebrations, set the scene for the salute to "Mr. Baycrest," the name given to Ruth by William Davis, the former premier of Ontario.

The proceeds from the $100-a-person dinner were divided between a Chinese nursing home in Metro which is in the planning stage, and the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care where Ruth served as chief executive officer for 25 years and as the founding president of the Baycrest Centre Foundation. Ruth is presently a consultant in the field of geriatrics.

Both cultures were reflected in the menus selected by committee members Josephine Chan and Sybil Geller, which included matzoh ball soup, Sechwan beef, sweet and sour deep fried fish, vegetables in teriyaki sauce, lemon chicken and egg fried rice. The kosher wine, labelled in English, Chinese and Hebrew for the occasion, was imported from Israel by the Bessin family and Eliaz Wine Cellars.

With Sam Ruth (centre) are (from left) Senator Jerry Grafstein, Shira Herzog Bessin, Jean Lumb and Dr. Joseph Wong.

Both groups were represented musically with a klezmer band, a traditional Chinese band, and the Chung Sisters, who entertained during the dinner. The Chung Sisters sang in Chinese and the exuberant crowd sang and clapped hands to their rendition of Hava Negillah in Hebrew.

Prof. Howard Adelman of York University, who chaired the arrangements committee with physician Dr. Joseph Wong, introduced Abe Posluns as "the man responsible for this event," for it was Posluns who interviewed Ruth and hired him for Baycrest 32 years ago.

In his tribute to Ruth, Posluns lightheartedly said that he was hired because he was the only candidate for the position who didn't ask for an employee agreement. "Baycrest Centre is one of the best geriatric centres in the world," said Posluns, adding that "it's all due to Sam Ruth."

Commending Ruth for his work at Baycrest and as an advisor to government, the Chinese community, and many other ethnic communities, Posluns said, "People use superlatives about Sam — kind, considerate, unassuming, dedicated, sincere, compassionate and humanitarian. Yes, Sam Ruth is truly an extraordinary human being."

In making a presentation to Ruth from the Jewish community organizations co-sponsoring the dinner with the Chinese community, Bessin read from the Book of Job in Hebrew and English, "So it is that the elders have wisdom and those with long life have understanding. They have wisdom and courage, good counsel and empathy."

The citation was signed by the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, Holy Blossom Temple, Mount Sinai Hospital and the Toronto Jewish Congress.

Wong also paid tribute to Ruth, "a truly remarkable man," and acknowledged his contribution to the Chinese nursing home project. He spoke of Ruth's "magic" in transforming a "humble" Jewish Home for the Aged into a world renowned centre for geriatric care.

He noted that the Chinese community lacks a culturally appropriate nursing care facility. "The Baycrest Centre stands as a role model which inspires and challenges the Chinese Canadian community — and Sam has generously shared with us his experience and expertise."

Responding to the tributes, Ruth welcomed everyone in Chinese, Japanese, Italian and Hebrew. Calling the multicultural dinner "one great love-in," Ruth acknowledged the support of the media and recognized the presence of the publisher of the Toronto Sun, Paul Godfrey, and vice-president of The Toronto Star, Dr. Burnett Thall.

Ruth noted that a recent Queen's Park report announced that Gerry Phillips, minister of citizenship, and Elinor Caplan, minister of health, have formed a multicultural advisory committee to provide advice on how to meet the health needs of ethnocultural groups.

"If I could give this committee advice," said Ruth, "I would say, enough with advice, let's get some action. Please put into play your recommendation that beds be made available for the development of nursing homes by ethnic groups such as the Chinese community. Please do it now."

Ruth, an assistant professor on the faculty of medicine at the University of Toronto, chairman of the Metro Toronto advisory committee on Homes for the Aged, and former vice-president of the Toronto Housing Corp., thanked his wife Nancy, their three sons, Alan, John and Daniel, and their wives, and the many volunteers who helped make the dinner a financial and social success.

To complete the evening, Gordon Cressy, the vice-president of the University of Toronto, served as the auctioneer as $11,760 was raised for Baycrest and the Chinese Nursing Home. He explained that no Chinese fund raising event is complete without an auction.

Other committee chairmen for the Sam Ruth dinner included Stanley Kwan, Marvin Fagan, Carson Young, Sandy Wise, Lenny Wise, Richard Yao, Lola Rasmansky Weisstub, Pauline Tong, Hilda Wilson, Nancy Tang, Aaron Katz, Helene Katz, Christine Wong, Helen Kwan and James Tang.

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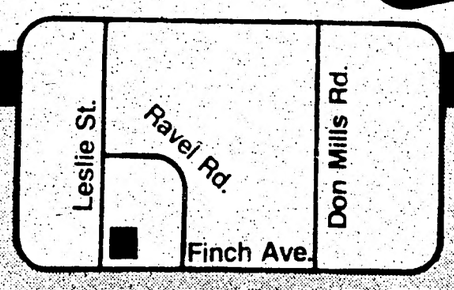

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Organizations and People

Says Canadian army didn't use rubber bullets in FLQ crisis

Greenspan scores triumph for Shaare Zedek

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Prominent criminal lawyer Eddie Greenspan has triumphed again.

For a full year Greenspan lent his name and fame to a planned $500-a-plate fund raising dinner to help youngsters with kidney disease in Israel.

Recently his effort paid off when about 1,200 people turned out to the ritzy black tie event at the Constellation Hotel. The dinner helped raise thousands of dollars for research and patient treatment programs in the pediatric nephrology department at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre.

And even a brief early-evening protest against the dinner's honoree by members of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association, failed to cast a dark shadow on the event.

Instead, the mood remained light and jovial as guests wined, dined, danced and enjoyed Los Vegas-style entertainment featuring U.S. comedian David Brenner.

During the event, Greenspan, 44, was praised as being generous both financially and in his caring for other human beings.

"Why else would he be here tonight lending his name to this fund raiser," asked actor Al Waxman, the dinner's chairman.

Waxman said Greenspan once told him the law is meant to be forgiving.

"It is essentially an attitude expressed in Hatikvah — an attitude of hope," he told the crowd. "It indicates a belief in the preciousness of life and the preciousness of freedom."

Greenspan's view also suggests a belief in the possibility a life can be saved and rerouted to a "higher" and "better" road, he added.

Eddie Greenspan

"It is that belief in life that makes it so appropriate for Eddie Greenspan to be honored by a hospital," Waxman said.

The Shaare Zedek — a large institution with 420 patient beds — has a pediatric day hospital, a geriatric day hospital and a continuous care section, said Harvey Solursh, national president of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation.

"Hospital with a heart"

"Eddie and (his wife) Suzy Greenspan visited the hospital last fall and I'm certain they'll agree with me that it's a very special place," Solursh said.

"The Greenspans are special too for allowing us to invade their lives for a full year, and to use their name and their fame for an institution that's thousands of miles away. We cannot thank them enough."

Greenspan, who later took the podium, told the crowd the hospital's research is meant to benefit everyone — Arab youngsters as much as Jewish children.

"The Jewish community has always answered generously to appeals for help," said Greenspan, a member of the Canadian foundation board.

"Our community has stood right at the centre of the perennial attempt to give human life dignity of purpose. No people has been more fertile in alleviating poverty or humanizing wealth or in turning misfortune to creative account."

Greenspan called the Shaare Zedek a "symbol of the preservation of life — a symbol of humanity, civility, decency.

"It treats Arabs and Jews alike. It is not interested in politics. It is the hospital with a heart and I thank each and every one of you for demonstrating tonight that the hospital is not the only one with a heart," said the father of two.

Greenspan also spoke about the recent negative press and criticism Israel has been receiving.

"Our own country, Canada — whose External Affairs Minister Joe Clark saw fit to call Israel to task recently — responded to a couple of dozen extremists with tanks in the streets of Montreal," Greenspan said.

"The Canadian army at the time of the FLQ crisis did not load its guns with rubber bullets even for a day," he continued.

"I wonder what the Canadian response would be if any segment of its residents took to throwing stones on a daily basis at other residents or at the army or at the police," said Greenspan, who received a standing ovation.

Alex Grossman, chairman of Canadian foundation's board, later presented Greenspan with a piece of mounted stone from Shaare Zedek's foundation. The gift marked the establishment of the Eddie Greenspan Family Fund in pediatric nephrology.

Protesters hand out flyers

Other speakers included North York Mayor Mel Lastman, who led a toast to Canada and Israel; Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, of the Temple Sinai Congregation of Toronto, who performed the invocation; Rabbi Jacob Kirshenblatt who said the Hamotzi; and Jan Rubes, who led the Canadian and Israeli national anthems. The Birkat Hamazon was later led by Rabbi David Monson, of Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Entertainment included The Canadian Brass, singers Andrew Best and his sister, Donna; and Bora and the Supremes, a group of four lawyers disguised as singing judges.

Meanwhile, prior to the dinner, Metro police were forced to arrest a man, in his 60s, who began shouting at guests arriving for the cocktail reception.

The intruder, who carried a placard and had "Nazi" and other words taped to his shirt, was detained at the police station till late in the evening, but no charges were laid, police said.

Helen Smolack, chairman of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association, denied the man was part of her group of protestors. She added she knew nothing about the incident and didn't know he was there, even though her group was in the reception area about the same time.

About a dozen members, who carried no placards, quietly handed out about 100 flyers which called the Shaare Zedek tribute to Greenspan "an incriminating affair".

"How else to describe the action of honoring a Jewish lawyer who has publicly proclaimed his willingness to defend a Nazi!" the flyer asked.

Sabina Citron, an association founding member, told The CJN Greenspan has also said he wants the two Criminal Code sections dealing with hate propaganda and the spreading of false news removed.

Smolack said her group decided to hand out flyers because it wanted dinner guests to know of Greenspan's remarks and to "apprise them they were honoring a Jewish lawyer who would defend a Nazi (Holocaust denier Ernst Zundel) who has been twice convicted."

Greenspan was unavailable for comment.

Noteworthy guests at the dinner included York University Prof. Irving Abella and his wife, Judge Rosalie Abella; Israeli Consul-General Benjamin Abileah; Tory MP Bill Attewell; columnist and political activist June Callwood; Robert Desrosiers, founder and director of the Robert Desrosiers Dance Company; Garth Drabinsky, president and chairman of Cineplex Odeon Corp.; Peter Herrndorf, publisher of Toronto Life Magazine; author George Jonas; Justice Allen Linden, chairman of the Canadian Law Review Board; Justice Alvin Rosenberg, of the Ontario Supreme Court; and Arthur Vaile, business editor for CFTO-TV.

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Chatting at UJA Business & Professional Women's Network program are (from left) Debby Steele, Elizabeth Bolton, Janet Shusterman and Robin Kachuck.

UJA women meet

AIDS problem discussed

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

Society must change its perception of AIDS from that of a moral issue to one of life and death if the spread of the virus is to be stopped, Janet Shusterman told 60 women at a program organized by United Jewish Appeal Business & Professional Women's Network.

Shusterman is educational projects coordinator of the AIDS Committee of Toronto, which has been operating since 1983. She said her office has seen an increase in the number of women infected with the virus in the past year or two.

AIDS, she emphasized, is no longer just the concern of so-called high-risk groups — gays, bisexuals and IV drug users — but the heterosexual population as well.

Appearing with Shusterman was Elizabeth Bolton. A cantor at Temple Emanu-El, Bolton heads the Chai project, a program launched in 1987 to "disseminate information on AIDS to the Jewish community and educate the educators."

Bolton stated that "homophobia" is a big factor in shaping the community's negative attitude towards the victims of AIDS. To make her point she cited a case she came across where the parents of a son who had died in another city of AIDS-related complications let it be known that he had committed suicide.

For them, said Bolton, that explanation was preferable to acknowledging their son's homosexuality and true cause of death.

Up to 1987, she said, there had been no public discussion on AIDS in the Jewish community, "but things are much different now."

There are rabbis, from Orthodox to Reform, who are becoming involved in the Chai project, "and that in itself is a step forward."

The "good news" about AIDS, Shusterman told the women, is that it is preventable by the taking of simple precautions. She talked about "safe sex" and demonstrated the effectiveness and proper use of latex condoms.

She concluded by reiterating that AIDS is a world health problem, not a moral issue, and that victims of the deadly virus need compassion and support, not condemnation.

Coordinators for the evening program were Robin Kachuck and Debby Steele.

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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

HOLIDAY DEADLINE

Please take note of the deadline change for material for the What's New and About People columns for the July 7 issue. Due to the Dominion Day holiday, July 1, the deadline for the July 7 issue is moved back to Wednesday, June 22, at 5 p.m. I will be at my desk all that day to receive your calls.

Friday, June 17

HAPPY MUSICAL HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will appear at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., in a happy musical hour on Friday, June 17, from 2.15-3.15 p.m. The program will include dancing and Jewish, Hebrew and semi-classical music.

Saturday, June 18

Tune in to the fascinating Torah Shiurim program on 1540 AM CHIN radio on Saturday, June 18, from 10.30-11 p.m. when the program deals with The Great Rewards for Visiting the Sick.

Sunday, June 19

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Monday, June 20

AUTHOR EVENING

Rick Salutin, author of Marginal Notes, award-winning playwright (Les Canadiens) and journalist, will be appearing at Chapters Bookstore-Cafe on Monday, June 20, at 8 p.m.

This is part of Chapters Author Evenings which are held every Monday in the cafe overlooking the bookstore located at 2360 Yonge St. They include a fixed price dinner and a talk or reading by an author, generally followed by an informal question and answer session. Reservations are recommended. Call 481-9203.

Tuesday, June 21

ISRAEL AFTER 40 YEARS

The New Fraternal Jewish Association invites members and friends to the celebration of Israel's 40th anniversary taking place Tuesday, June 21, at 8 p.m. at the centre, 120 Overbrook Pl., Suite 107.

The guest speaker, Israeli Consul-General **Benjamin Abileah**, will speak on Israel After 40 Years.

The program will also feature well known popular singer of folk music **Jennie Eisenstein** in a selection of folk songs. There will also be a report on the second storey of the J.B. Salsberg Medical Centre.

Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome.

TEHILLA MEETING

On Tuesday, June 21, Tehilla, the union for religious aliya, is presenting an illustrated lecture on the topic Different Lifestyles in Israel. This is a farewell lecture by **Sharon Benzioni**, coordinator of Tehilla Toronto, and **Moshe Benzioni**, consul of Israel in Toronto. Both are olim from New York.

The event takes place at 8.15 p.m. at the home of **Prof. Noah and Rochelle Meltz**, 237 Sandringham Dr., Downsview (north of Wilson).

Everyone is welcome. For more information, call **Carol** at 665-7772 days, or **Sharon** at 781-2987 evenings.

Wednesday, June 22

ICRF YOUNG ASSOCIATES

The Young Associates of the Israel Cancer Research Fund is planning a dessert party and information meeting on Wednesday, June 22, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Susan Davidson**, 2 Ava Cres.

The guest speaker will be **Dr. Alan Bernstein**, head, division of molecular and developmental biology at Mount Sinai Hospital Research Institute.

For information, contact **Pam Albert** at 783-9966 or **Pearl Greenbaum** at 787-0139.

GRAND AUCTION

"A bargain for you is a blessing for us," says **Rabbi Avraham Plotkin**, referring to the grand auction sponsored by Chabad Lubavitch of Markham on Wednesday, June 22, beginning at 7.30 p.m. at the Chimo Hotel, 7095 Woodbine Ave. (just north of Steeles).

So, be sure to be there to put in your bids on patio furniture, dinnerware, home appliances, professional services and more. This is new merchandise only. There will also be door prizes and refreshments.

For information, call 731-7000.

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

At the Jewish Genealogical Society meeting on Wednesday, June 22, the focus will be on old Jewish cemeteries in Toronto.

The time is 7.30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. For information, call **Rayzel** at 736-5178.

And What Else Is New...

JERRY'S GIRLS

Jerry's Girls, the Broadway musical revue featuring a potpourri of music from **Jerry Herman's** best shows including Hello Dolly, Mame and La Cage aux Folles, will be presented, cabaret-style, at the Banbury Community Centre (York Mills-Leslie area) on June 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25 by Broadway North Theatre Productions, a North York-based commmunity theatre company.

The show features six dynamic female lead performers who have a wealth of musical theatre between them — **Gail Klebanoff, Sandi Horwitz, Isabel Hornstein, Judy Scott, Willene Falconer** and **Linda Hockley** — plus four male friends.

The director-choreographer is **Lorraine Green Kimsa** and **Judy Scott** handles the musical direction.

Tickets are $10 each and doors open at 7 p.m. with refreshments available throughout the evening. Curtain time is 8.15 p.m. Call the box office at 754-4005 to reserve your table now.

TEL-AIDE JEWISH DISTRESS LINE

Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line volunteers are available to listen at 636-9610. All Tel-Aide volunteer listeners have taken an extensive training course and are well qualified to listen. Volunteers would be happy to spend time with you on the phone.

Listeners are available most days, evenings, and Sundays. Tel-Aide is a call-in service only and is sponsored by the Toronto Jewish Congress.

SHALOM VILLAGE HAMILTON

This is the list of special programs taking place at Shalom Village Retirement Home, 70 Macklin St. N., Hamilton, during the latter part of June.

Tuesday, June 21 — Residents will be enjoying an evening trip to Hamilton Place to see the Geritol Follies at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are $7.

Thursday, June 23 — Mystery Picnic starting at 11 a.m. Where the van stops nobody knows!

Sunday, June 26 — The monthly light cold supper in the garden lounge at 5 p.m. The cost is $3 residents, $5 non-residents. Please contact **Sharon** at 528-5377 by Monday, June 20, if you plan to attend.

Wednesday, June 29 — Bubby and Zeidy Night for residents, their grandchildren, great grandchildren, great nieces and nephews at 7 p.m. The entertainment will be the Lincoln Leapers, a professional skipping team from Toronto. Note: Please check with **Sharon** as the date has not been confirmed.

Thursday, June 30 — **Martha Velduis** will give a talk on the creation of plants at 2.30 p.m. Let **Sharon** know if you are going to be there.

For further information on these activities or the ongoing programs, call 528-5377 in Hamilton.

SUMMER CAMPS

North York parks and recreation department is offering two summer camp programs —

Pleasant Summer Camp for children 5-7 years of age features arts and crafts, sports, waterplay and day trips. The camp operates Monday to Friday from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. for 2-week sessions at Pleasant Public School, 288 Pleasant Ave. Sessions begin July 4, July 18, and Aug. 2. The cost is $55 per child for each 2-week session or $150 for the entire six weeks. For more information, call 225-6132.

At R.J. Lang Summer Camp, 6- to 12-year-olds can enjoy sports, music, arts and crafts and outdoor activities. The camp runs Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for 2-week sessions at R.J. Lang Public School, 227 Drewry Ave. Sessions start July 4 and July 18. The cost is $55 per child for each session. For more information, call 224-1433.

DEDICATION

Denise and Jay Davis dedicated the Ethel and Allan Grossman Centre for Research in Immunology at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology during their recent trip to Israel on a Technion Mission. Denise is the daughter of Allan Grossman and the late Ethel Grossman.

JF & CS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Jewish Family & Child Service urgently needs volunteer drivers to take foster children to visit their parents. Volunteers are needed during the day, evenings and weekends.

If you can spare one to two hours a week, please call **Lana Feinstein** at 638-7800.

FREE FILMS

Films about Canadian artists of the 30s and 40s are being shown at the Koffler Gallery, 4588 Bathurst St., on Thursday, June 16 and June 23, at 12.30 p.m.

On June 16, Portrait of the Artist as an Old Lady (27 minutes), focuses on Russian-born artist **Paraskeva Clark** who lived in Toronto for 50 years, and This Vibrant Land (25 minutes) shows how the Group of Seven took their inspiration from the physical grandeur around them.

On June 23, About Pellan (19 minutes) is an appreciation of the painter **Alfred Pellan** and his work, and Quebec en Silence (10 minutes) examines the paintings and style of **Jean-Paul Lemieux**.

The films are free.

FREEDOM FROM FEAR FOUNDATION

The Freedom From Fear Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping people who suffer from phobias, panic attacks and general anxiety-related problems. It holds monthly sharing group meetings every first Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at the Frankland Community Centre, 816 Logan Ave. (one street southeast of the Chester subway station).

For more information, call 626-0603.

STAFF FOR YOUTH SERVICES

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue requires staff for various areas of its High Holiday's youth services.

Anyone interested can obtain further information by calling the youth director, **Marlene White** at 633-2731.

U OF T CAMPUS TOURS

Free tours of the University of Toronto downtown campus are offered three times daily weekdays throughout the summer.

Tours begin in the Map Room at Hart House, 7 Hart House Circle, Monday through Friday at 10.30 a.m., and 12.30 and 2.30 p.m.

For information, call 978-5000.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

Goodwill Industries of Toronto officially opened its newly constructed clothing processing plant June 15 in the presence of Ontario Lieutenant-Governor **Lincoln Alexander**.

The 4-story, $4.4 million building, which employs about 90 people, is located at the corner of Richmond and George streets adjoining Goodwill's furniture and appliance processing plant. It has been named the George C. Patrick Building after Goodwill's longest serving board member.

WRITING WORKSHOP

Creating Professionals, a week-long writing workshop, will be conducted by prominent Canadian authors on the the University of Toronto campus July 24-31.

Participants include **Tim Wynn-Jones** (Chil-

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SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Marilyn Myers, national "Growing Up With Na'amat" chairman of Na'amat Canada, presents Alexandre Raab with a plaque acknowledging the spiritual adoption in his name of a parentless child in Israel. The plaque reads: "When others turned their backs on Israel, he spoke up on behalf of all who care." Raab placed full page ads in support of Israel's response to the Palestinian uprisings in the West Bank and Gaza in Toronto, New York and Washington newspapers. Louise Cornblum, Toronto Na'amat president, is in the foreground. [Graphic Artists photo]

Organizations and People

What's New

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dren's Literature); **Libby Scheier** (Poetry and Women's Writing); **Jay Teitel** (The Short Story); **Eric Wright** (My Life in Crime) and featured speakers at evening readings **Timothy Findley, Katherine Govier** and **Al Purdy**.

Open to anybody who writes, Creating Professionals is offered through the U of T School of Continuing Studies. The fee is $275. For registration and information, call 978-2400.

BICYCLE SAFETY

Police chiefs in communities across Canada have distributed a free instructional bicycle and road safety audio visual and teaching kit to elementary classrooms across the country. This is in response to concerns by police, school officials and parents with the increasing number of bicycle-related accidents which occur each year.

The audio visual and teaching kit are part of Right-Riders, a national bicycle and road safety program developed by Petro-Canada. The 12-minute mini-movie instructs children on the basic rules of the road and encourages them to use common sense when operating their bicycles.

RECONSTRUCTIONIST CONVENTION

Creating a Reconstructionist Liturgy: Balancing Tradition and Change is the theme of the 28th annual convention of the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot taking place June 16-19 at the Novotel North York Hotel, 3 Park Home Ave.

Delegates from all across North America will be attending the convention, which is being held in Toronto for the first time. Among the Canadian participants will **Rabbi Deborah Brin** and **Denni Liebowitz** of Toronto's Darchei Noam Congregation, **Rabbi Ron Aigen** of Dorshei Emet, Montreal, and **Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut**, senior scholar, Holy Blossom Temple, who will be the keynote speaker at the dinner on Saturday, the 18th.

For further information, call the convention planning committee chairman **Phyllis Angel Greenberg** at (416) 886-1585.

TASTE OF RAMAH

Camp Ramah Taste of Ramah offers a 1-week encampment Aug. 8-14 as an introduction to overnight camping for children entering grade 3. The program includes water and land sports, arts, a traditional Shabbat and a taste of the famous Ramah "ruach."

Limited spaces are now available. Call 789-2193 for further information.

BOY SCOUT TROUP

Beth Tzedec announces that a boy scout troup will be starting in September for boys 11-13 years of age.

The troup leader will be **Dr. Bill Witchell** assisted by **Dr. Stan Klimitz, Stephen Kauffman** and **Allan Phillips**.

For more information, call Mr. Phillips at 483-7927.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Metropolitan Toronto Association for Community Living needs volunteers for its preschool educational program during the summer until July 31.

In your neighborhood, children with developmental handicaps need your help in areas such as language and muscle development, and social skills. Volunteers must be 13 years of age and older, and available at least one morning a week.

For information, call 968-0650, ext. 206.

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ONTARIO CRAFTS ADORN SUMMIT

The Ontario Crafts Council and its portfolio craftspeople were chosen to assist in the furnishing of the site of the Economic Summit being hosted by the City of Toronto on June 19-21 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

Working with the external affairs ministry and its art consultants, the Council has provided office furnishings and decorative accessories. All works have been handcrafted by Ontario craftspeople and will enliven VIP lounges and conference rooms and the offices of the heads of government.

at the jcc

The Koffler Centre School of Dance annual dance concert takes place in the Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St., on Thursday, June 16, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, June 19, at 2.30 p.m. The theme is mainly Broadway and has appeal for all age groups. Tickets are available at all BASS outlets. For additional information, call 636-1880, ext. 261 or 237.

At the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) — The Health and Lifestyles Series continues on Wednesday, June 22, with Weight Training for Men and Women with **Ron Eland, Tom Singer** and **Lee Downer**. The time is 7-8.30 p.m. in the chapel. The charge is $3 members, $4 non-members. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 924-6211...The Bloor Y will be hosting the Jerusalem Pavillion during Caravan week, June 18-25.

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network is holding a Jamaican Jump-Up on Sunday, June 19. If you feel like dancing the limbo along with your regular favorites, the deejay will be playing reggae and calypso music. So, come on down to the Valley, 7015 Leslie St., at 8.30 p.m. and wear your most colorful, casual outfit. Admission is $5 members with cards, $7 non-members. For information, call **Sally Kerbel** at the Valley at 889-0813...Also, remember to call the Singles Hotline at 889-5101 for any program changes or additions.

for seniors

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Program for women 55-69 years of age meets every second Sunday from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The group coordinator is **Toby Warsh**. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 19. For information, call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

The Widows 70 and Over Program at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., meets every second Sunday from 1-2.30 p.m. in the conference room. The next meeting is Sunday, June 19. The coordinator is **Micky Zimmerman** For information, call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

The Self-Help Widowers Program for men 55 years and over meets every second Sunday from 10.30 a.m. to noon in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The next meeting is Sunday, June 19. The coordinator is **Alan Steinberg**. For information, call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 2269.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., has arranged a Hawaiian trip Oct. 17-Nov. 3 ending at the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas. The trip includes 10 nights in the picturesque islands of Oahu and four nights in the garden islands of Kawai with superior accommodations...The dancersize program will continue on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. throughout the summer. It is free to members, $1 for guests. The art program for painting therapy also continues during the summer...For information about the trip and the programs, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Club Chaverim of the North-East Valley Jewish Community Centre has started again and welcomes new members. It meets on Mondays from 1-3 p.m.(please note the change from Tuesdays) at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For more information, call **Sally Kerbel** at 889-0813.

The LZA Seniors Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. for an afternoon of cards, chess and discussion...Shuffleboard teams meet Tuesday afternoons and evenings and Thursday evenings...The Cultural Circle meets every Tuesday morning at 10. On June 21 **Nechemiah Knobel** will talk on Herzl.

The Workmen's Circle Social Club will not be meeting on June 21 and 28 because of the Catskills trip. The next meeting is set for July 5.

Activities for seniors this week at the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave., include bridge for beginners and intermediates on Monday from 1-3.30 in the board room, and Smiles and Chuckles, a story and joke-telling session, on Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. in the board room. No programs are scheduled for Wednesday, June 22, and Thursday, June 23. For further information, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

The Senior Sinais catered fish luncheon is set for Tuesday, June 28, at 12.30 p.m. at 210 Wilson Ave., with entertainment by singer **Marvin Rosenshein** and accompanist. Guests are welcome. The charge is $12. RSVP by calling 226-3252 or 789-1901.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — The summer outing on Thursday, June 23, is a trip to the Metro Toronto Zoo for Senior Citizen Day and a picnic from 1-5 p.m. Tickets are $3.50. Register, with payment, at the Wagman Centre office as soon as possible...A Father's Day program with The Pharmacy Five Band led by **Phil Gold** is scheduled for Sunday, June 19, from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room...On Tuesday, June 21, the North York Choraliers directed by **Norm Stein**, will perform from 7.30-8.30 p.m. in the Assembly Room...A health education series lecture, entitled What to do Until the Ambulance Arrives, will be presented by Metro Save-a-Life on Wednesday, June 29, from 1-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room. Register at the Wagman Centre office. The number is 789-5131, ext. 2267...The Canadian Israeli Club Aluma has arranged a field trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake on Sunday, June 26. The cost is $9 members, $11 non-members. For tickets, call **Shelley Dunkelman** at 789-5131, ext. 2273, or **Abraham Leibovich** at 633-2630.

The newly formed **Diamond Jubilee Club** which meets at 968 Eglinton Ave. W., upstairs, is now open for your entertainment such as dancing and dancersize with **Ada Goldblatt**, crafts, cards, movies, travel and refreshments. Come out and enjoy on Sunday afternoons at 2. For information, call 782-5024...The club has appointed artist **Tutzi Seguin** to teach arts and crafts in her studio. There is no fee for seniors, just a charge for materials. For information, call her at 783-0781.

The JCC Singers wish to point out that the group participated in the UJA Day walk for Israel. This seniors choir, under the direction of **Esther Ghan-Firestone** accompanied by **Sara Barkin-Sandler** at the piano, came out in full force and performed under trying circumstances in the heavy rain. They sang a full program of Israeli songs, horas and folk songs...If you would like to join this happy group, just come along on Thursday mornings from 9.30-11 to Room 221 at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. If you want to book the choir, phone the president **Dolly Brown** at 636-9468.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre is presenting an energy management workshop with York University professor **Sue Wilson** who will conduct four Tuesday sessions on how to use your energy wisely and get the most out of your life. The dates are June 21 and 28 and July 5 and 12 at 10.30 a.m. in the synagogue.

The Wellness Centre's Funny Films series continues on Monday, June 20, at 1.30 p.m. with I'm All Right Jack.

Wanted — amateur entertainers who would appreciate the opportunity to perform before a senior group to help you gain exposure. If you want to know more about it, call 665-3547.

BREAKFAST SERIES

The Women's Network Breakfast Series, sponsored by Orenstein & Partners, meets the last Wednesday of each month at the McGill Club. At a recent breakfast meeting are (from left) Daphne Field of Orenstein & Partners; Beverley D. Burdeyney, personal exercise coach and chairman of the meeting, and Sheila Engel, president of the Jewish Women's Federation and the guest speaker.

About People

RHEA SHULMAN RETIRES

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living has announced the retirement of **Rhea Shulman**, executive director.

Rhea Shulman

During her service to the centre and the community these past 18 years, she has made an invaluable contribution to the field of gerontology and the enrichment of the lives of many seniors.

Starting off as program director and then becoming executive director, Mrs. Shulman was instrumental in the development of the daily drop-in centre she was asked to establish into the multi-purpose older adults centre that now caters to a membership of 1,500.

In addition to this major accomplishment, Mrs. Shulman's organizational skills and willingness to share her knowledge have afforded the opportunity to lead workshops, lectures and seminars, and to keep abreast of all significant developments in the area of seniors' care.

FAREWELL RECEPTION

Members of Adath Israel Congregation will say "Tzetchem L'Shalom" (farewell) to **Rabbi Howard and Judy Markose** at a special presentation and tribute being made during services and at a congregational kiddish following the Shabbat services on June 18.

Assistant rabbi at Adath Israel for the past four years, Rabbi Markose will assume the post of senior rabbi at Shaar Shalom Synagogue in Thornhill in August.

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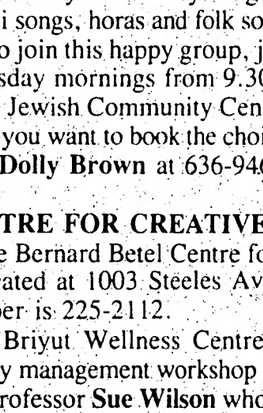

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Israeli Na'amat representative reports:

Curtain of silence on family violence lifted

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —
The incidence of family violence in Israel is finally being recognized as a social problem that occurs at every level of society, says Ronit Lev-Ari, director of the Na'amat Centre for the Prevention of Violence in the Family in Tel Aviv.

Lev-Ari, who was in Toronto as part of a cross-country tour for Na'amat Canada, was the guest speaker at the home of Etty Danzig, national vice-president of the organization.

Ronit Lev-Ari

Addressing the executive members of Na'amat Canada, Toronto, Lev-Ari said: "Violence is not just the problem of the battered wife, but of the entire family. Violence is a way of life — a lifestyle that is too often passed on from generation to generation. It is a perverted way of coping with emotions, needs and relationships."

Lev-Ari, a criminologist, was instrumental in setting up the Na'amat Centre in 1983, under the auspices of the Na'amat status of women department.

Today, there are four shelters for battered women in Israel. As important as shelters are, she says, they only serve as temporary havens, and focus on the woman and not the couple or the extended family.

"The Na'amat Centre is not a shelter," stressed Lev-Ari, in an interview following the meeting. "It is an address for counselling and a place for troubled families to get help."

Last year alone more than 1,200 phone calls for help were reported at the Tel Aviv centre. Six hundred clients received personal counselling, 100 of whom were husbands and children.

One year ago, a branch office was opened in Jerusalem under her stewardship, assisted by a team of clinical psychologists and legal experts. She reported that they are finding an increased number of Arab families who are seeking help, particularly in the Jerusalem area.

"The first service we offer is an open line for emotional support," says Lev-Ari, a mother of two. "The second step is to invite the couple to come together to the centre for counselling. The third step is to direct the couple to the appropriate agencies for further treatment," she added.

"The curtain of silence is slowly being lifted on the issue and it must remain so," declared the criminologist, who personally screens every client that comes to the centre. She stated that her office maintains a very close and compatible working relationship with the shelters at all times.

Lev-Ari cited the following reasons behind family violence: a history of family abuse; a husband's jealousy of his wife who earns more than he does; low self-esteem; stress at work; mental illness; unemployment, money problems, and drug and alcohol abuse.

The Na'amat Centre is active, too, in the field of public awareness and prevention, she said. "We feel it is crucial to meet with the police and make them more aware of domestic violence. We also go to elementary and high schools to discuss with the students the symptoms of violence," she explained.

Expressing a note of optimism, Lev-Ari pointed out that the status of women is improving in Israel, despite reports to the contrary.

For the first time, an Arab woman, Nely Karkabi, a long-standing member of Na'amat, will be running for the Labor Party in the Knesset elections this year, Lev-Ari said.

There is also a new law instituting flexible retirement for women, enabling them to retire up to age 65 rather than at 60, she said.

CONCERT SOCIETY AWARD

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation was the recipient of the annual award of the Concert Society of Jewish People's Schools and Peretz Schools of Montreal. The presentation was made during the society's 31st annual concert at Place des Arts recently. From left are Sylvia Quint, evening co-chairman; Ambassador Israel Gur-Arieh; Lily Barr, president of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation; Multiculturalism Minister Gerry Weiner, and Eileen Borsuk, evening co-chairman. [Jack Marcow photo]

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LYRICIST KRAMER DOES IT AGAIN

Lyricist **Martin Kramer** has again written the words to a bicentennial song — Australia, Australia. This song, commissioned by the Tranzac Club of Toronto, will be performed at the Sydney-Auckland Pavilion during this year's Metro Toronto Caravan June 17-27.

In 1984 his This Is My Home Ontario was performed at the Forum in honor of Ontario's bicentennial by the Ontario Place Pops Orchestra conducted by **Boris Brott.**

Mr. Kramer is currently working on a North York song, North York Vibrant, which together with other material is highly appropriate for ceremonial occasions and prominent fund raisings.

If you would like to get in touch with him, the number is 783-5742.

JCC AWARD

Samuel Eckler is the recipient of the 1988 Samuel J. Granatstein Award for Meritorious Service to the Jewish Community Centre of Toronto. The award was presented to him at the recent annual meeting.

Samuel Eckler

Instrumental in the development of the Bloor Y and North Y branches, Mr. Eckler has provided leadership in numerous capacities in the past 46 years. He has served the agency as a vice-president, treasurer, chairman of personnel and budget and finance, and is presently an honorary vice-president, a member of the executive committee and board of directors. He has an outstanding record as a volunteer for Baycrest Centre, Toronto Jewish Congress and his professional societies (he is an actuary).

singles events

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Dance to the Music of D.J. Don del Greco on Saturday, June 18, 8:30 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre. Refreshments, prizes. Members $4.00, non-members $6.00.

Enjoy storyteller and humorist extraordinaire Alec Gelcer on Sunday, June 19, 8:30 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre. Refreshments. Members $2.00, non-members $3.00.

Members only, bring $5.00 to meeting for reservation for July 10th bar-b-que.

Singles Rendez-vous (25-45). Sunday, June 19 — Cullen Gardens/Miniature Village, Whitby, $6.00. Carpools leaving Lawrence Plaza (Donut corner) 12:00 noon. 782-6613.

Tuesday, June 28, 8:00 p.m. — Tennis, Clanton Park, $1.00. 635-7699.

JCC Valley Singles Network — Jamaican "Jump-Up" Dance Party, Sunday, June 19th, 8:30 p.m. N/E Valley — 7015 Leslie St. Let's limbo tonight! Refreshments, D.J., good times. $5.00 members (with cards), $7.00 non-members. 889-0813.
Call Singles Social Hotline for 24 hour taped info: 889-5101.

Chai Singles Group — register for the free brunch and elections on June 26, 11:30 a.m. For members only. Deadline June 21st. Phone 656-3687 and leave name. Come out and get involved. We are looking for a new executive.

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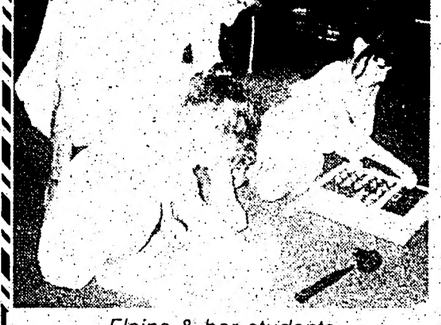

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Soviet Jewry "touchstone" of my life, says Rev. John Erb

Refusenik children's plight described at program

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —
The chairman of the Toronto Interfaith Council on Soviet Jewry says those Jews are the "touchstone" of his life and he promised to support their cause "until the gates of emigration are unlocked."

Rev. John Erb made the remarks recently to 200 people attending a program at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St., dedicated to the children of Jewish Refuseniks in Russia.

The program entitled Children in Refusal: When They Wish Upon a Star heard several other dignitaries speak on behalf of Soviet Jewry, enjoyed a slide presentation, heard poems written by Jewish children in the USSR and heard a recital of Hebrew songs by the Associated Hebrew Schools Choir under the direction of Yehuda Gilden.

Erb, the guest of honor, addressed many of his remarks directly to the children in attendance, most of whom were part of the 26-member Associated choir, telling them they were fortunate to be able to study Jewish history and Torah, because such freedoms are denied Jewish children in the Soviet Union.

The children appeared enthralled by Erb's enthusiasm about his recent trip to the Soviet Union where he met with numerous Refusenik families, including a family in Leningrad who told him, "Our hope rests in the hands of the people in the West."

Erb urged the audience to continue to help Soviet Jewry by appealing to the government and the press.

Later, 12-year-old Hannah Slavens of Toronto received a golden chai necklace on the occasion of her upcoming bat mitzvah. A similar chai necklace will be delivered to Yuna Royak, a 13-year-old child of a Refusenik family, in commemoration of her upcoming bat mitzvah. The presentation was made by Eti Young, chairperson of the World Jewry Committee, National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto section.

The NCJW's Eti Young presents a chai necklace bat mitzvah gift to Hannah Slavens. The same gift will also be given to Yuna Royak in the USSR.

Yuna's parents are Vyacheslav Royak, 42, a former mathematician and computer programmer, and his wife, Rianna, 41, a French teacher, of Bendery, Moldavia, who have been in refusal since 1977. Repeated applications by the Royaks to emigrate to Israel have been turned down by Soviet authorities.

A large picture of the Royak family, including two other daughters, Lea, 8, and Ilanit, 3, stood on an easel at the base of the dais at Council House as numerous speakers referred to the family and other Refuseniks.

However, it was the Jewish children of Refuseniks who were the focus of the evening's program sponsored by the NCJW, Toronto Section, and the Committee for Soviet Jewry of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

This was specially evident when Marsha Slavens, Co-chairperson of the CJC committee, gave a reading emphasizing the plight of Refusenik children, while photos of many children, from infants to teens, were projected on a screen.

Said Slavens: "Parents make a choice knowing the consequences, but children are born into refusal, often never knowing anything else but a life of refusal."

Keynote speaker Barbara Stern, national chairperson of CJC's Committee for Soviet Jewry, spoke of the special hardships experienced by Refusenik children, detailing how they are ostracized by teachers, marked harder by them and picked on by fellow students.

"The worst penalty for parents is to watch a gifted child unable to pursue a talent because once a family applies to leave they are reduced to second-class citizenship."

There has also been an incident where a Jewish child was beaten to death and one almost hanged, she said. "These are rare but they do happen to Refusenik children."

Still, Stern said, applications to leave continue to grow, which he called "a demonstration of great Jewish courage," and she called upon Moscow to establish a new emigration law which would permit Jews to leave without long delays and harassment.

"At the present rate, it would take 40 years for the Soviets to clear up the present backlog of requests," she said.

Nita Goldband, president of the NCJW, Toronto Section, said the restrictions against aliya still belie the new Soviet policy of glasnost.

Introducing the keynote speaker was Wendy Litwack, co-chairperson of the Committee for Soviet Jewry of CJC, Ontario Region. Shelley Hornstein-Rabinovitch, event chairperson, World Jewry Committee, introduced the guest of honor.

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Committee calls for Jordan to become a Palestinian state

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

Believe it or not, there is a committee on the Mideast which doesn't advocate a solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

It's called the Jordan is Palestine Committee and its chairman in Toronto is Ira Walfish, a chartererd accountant.

The international organization, founded eight years ago in Australia by David Singer, has no prescription for peace. But it does have a purpose and that, says Walfish, is to tell people that Jordan is part of the historic home of the Palestinians.

To prove its point, the committee, in newspaper ads, cites Arab leaders as ideologically disparate as Yasser Arafat and King Abdullah to show that Jordan was included in the geographical area of Palestine defined by the British mandate.

"Arabs who call themselves Palestinian have a homeland," states one ad. "Change the name 'Jordan' to 'East Palestine', and the problem of 'homeless Palestinians' is solved.

"Jordan is 76.9% of Palestine," the ad continues.

So far, the committee, which has eight chapters worldwide, has been content to rely on ads and letters to the editor to get its message across. But committee members in England, says Walfish, have pressed JPC's case with members of Parliament.

The committee has also staged international conferences in New York (1983), London (1985) and in Israel (1987).

Walfish says the committee's message has garnered a good response from the Toronto Jewish community and has been endorsed by several Toronto rabbis. The committee, he adds, has also received support from both the Likud and Labor parties.

Besides Toronto, there is also a JPC chapter in Montreal. The committee claims approximately 100 members across Canada.

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Project Renewal town impresses Hamiltonians

By
MOURA WOLPERT

OR YEHUDA — Or Yehuda has become the showcase of Project Renewal, a prizewinner which delegations from all over the world come to see. Mayor Itzhak Buchovza proudly told the 12 Hamilton participants — and one lone Maritimer — of a recent joint Hamilton/Calgary UIA national mission.

While the Calgary contingent went to Mazkeret Batya, the Hamiltonians visited their Project Renewal neighborhood and were greatly impressed.

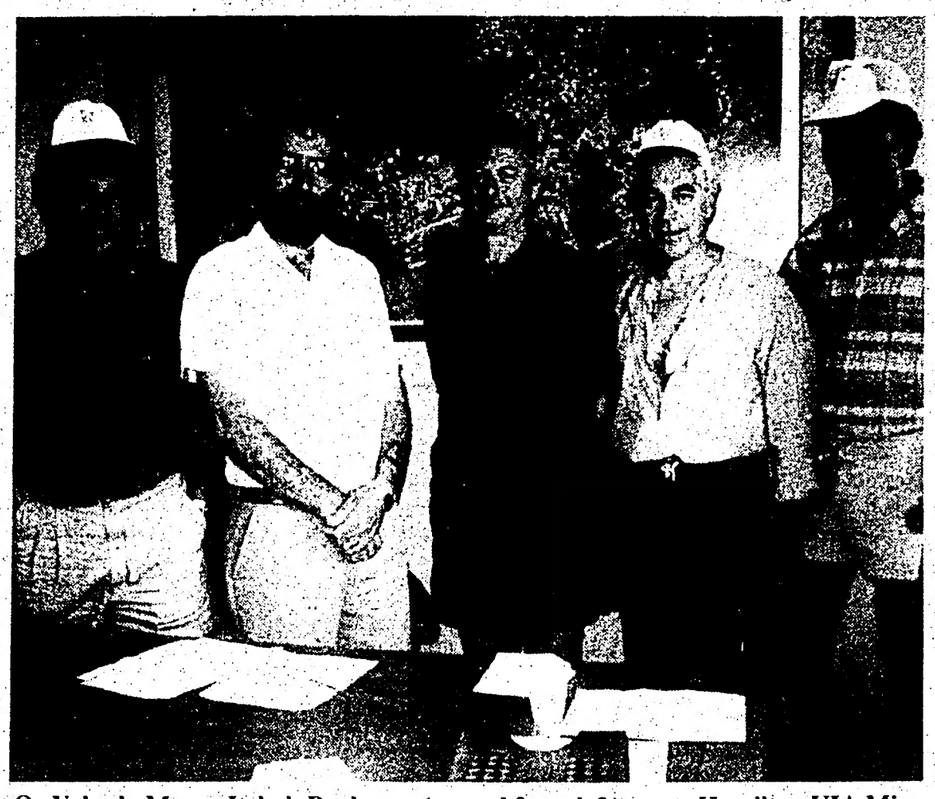
"Those of us who were here long ago can recognize the difference," observed mission vice-chairman and former Hamilton JNF president Sheldon Frank, while past Hamilton campaign chairman Mel Gunn noted especially "a big difference in how the children look compared with four years ago."

The group met with the mayor and Or Yehuda Project Renewal manager, Tabir Shabi, in his office at the community centre.

In the early 1960s, the mayor told them, Or Yehuda consisted mostly of gray concrete buildings containing apartments of 48 square meters, housing families of seven to eight people.

"The apartments were ugly, they were empty, there was a very bad atmosphere and nobody wanted to live here."

Today it is a clean, attractive place with cheerful playgrounds and schools and flowers in front of well-maintained buildings.



Or Yehuda Mayor Itzhak Buchovza (second from left) meets Hamilton UIA Mission members (from left) Marving Rosenshein, Gerry Swaye, Sheldon Kumer, and Sheldon Frank.

Only a few still await renovation.

Of the $35 million invested in Or Yehuda, which is a joint project of all Ontario Jewish communities outside Toronto, the Maritimes and Milwaukee, the residents themselves contributed $20 million.

The Or Yehuda Project Renewal team was awarded the Kaplan Prize.

Before 1979, when the project was initiated, 63% of the population lived in government-subsidized housing. Today, only 10% live in subsidized housing. "This shows more than anything else the trust and confidence the people have in the town," said the mayor.

But their proudest achievement is in education, and last year Or Yehuda was awarded the Education Prize for 1987.

As recently as six years ago, the mayor said, only 43% of high school students completed grade 12. Today, the dropout rate is less than 6%. Furthermore, compared with the national average of 75% high school graduates, 93% of Or Yehuda students graduate.

Hamilton UJA campaign chairman Gerry Swaye, who led the mission, congratulated the mayor on the work done in Or Yehuda and expressed the hope that all those who contributed to Project Renewal would be interested in seeing the results.

The group also visited a home environment play centre for deprived children, planted trees near a high school with the aid of a class of grade 9 girls and enjoyed a basketball game with the boys. They toured the Babylonian Heritage Museum and were entertained to dinner by several Or Yehuda families.

Besides touring various UJA and JNF projects, Masada, an air base and Indigo Hi-Tech Industry, highlights of the trip included Memorial Day ceremonies at the Western Wall and Mount Herzl military cemetery, an Independence Day Ball at the Hyatt Hotel in Jerusalem and a Yom Ha'atzmaut concert by the Israel Philharmonic conducted by Zubin Mehta.

Besides Swaye, Frank and Gunn, participants of the mission included Frank's wife Marty; Dr. Rick and Wendy Black; Sid and Judy Brail; Sheldon Kumer; Fred Posner; Marvin Rosenshein and Stan Tick. Representing the Maritimes was Dr. Michael Paul of St. John's, Nfld.

Student recites 460 Mishnayos

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO — Ten-year-old Yudi Weinberg walked away with top honors recently at a Siyum Mishnayos at Agudath Israel Synagogue in North York.

Weinberg, son of Moshe and Rochelle Weinberg of North York and a student at Eitz Chaim's Patricia Ave. campus, won a 20-volume edition of the Babylonian Talmud for reciting the most Mishnayos (460, about 10,000 Hebrew words) by heart.

Yudi Weinberg

Rabbi Malcolm Levine of Eitz Chaim was master of ceremonies for the event.

There are approximately 4,200 Mishnayos (elaborations of the Oral Law) in existence.

Over 250 boys, ages 7 to 13, from three Toronto schools — Bobov Yeshiva, Eitz Chaim, and Yeshiva Yesodei Hatorah — competed in the siyum.

Chaim Newman, 9, of Yesodei Hatorah picked up first prize in the junior division. Dov Wagner, 12, and Yitzchok Wagner, 8, also of Yosodei Hatorah and Yakov Plopper, 9, of Bobov Yeshiva, all received copies of the Igrothe Moshe, the responsa of the late Rabbi Moshe Feinstein.

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"Fulfilment of a dream"

Shalom Village receives 60 nursing home beds

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Shalom Village has been awarded 60 nursing home beds by the provincial government in a move greeted joyfully by executive and staff.

The announcement was made recently by Lily Munro, MPP for Hamilton Centre and minister of culture and communication, and Education Minister Chris Ward, MPP for Wentworth North, on behalf of Health Minister Elinor Caplan.

The 60 beds are part of 184 nursing home beds which became available following the closure last year of St. Elizabeth Nursing Home here. Sixty beds is the minimum requirement for an economically viable facility and the minimum number for which the government gives approval.

For Shalom Village the announcement meant "the fulfilment of a dream," commented president Leon Price.

"A lot of people spent **a lot of hours speaking to a lot of people . . . a lot of hours working very hard . . . and they prayed a lot."**

The new home will be built adjacent to Shalom Village but will be a separate entity, said Price.

The community will be informed officially at the Shalom Village annual meeting on June 16, when Munro will be guest of honor.

The projected cost is approximately $3 million, part of which is covered by a mortgage. The remaining $2 million will be raised by the community — but a formal campaign is not expected to be launched until early next year so as not to interfere with the current JCC campaign and the UJA campaign later in the summer.

Shalom Village is a non-profit organization, and operational costs will be covered by a $35.25 per diem per person government subsidy, and by residents.

The new home is expected to be completed within approximately 18 months and the process of choosing an architect has already begun, says Shalom Village administrator Sheila Burman.

The home will be fully kosher and will have only private and double rooms. A unique feature will be a secure, enclosed Alzheimer's unit with safe walks and access to enclosed gardens. Alzheimer's patients tend to walk a great deal and walking areas with free access to gardens where they can walk in safety are very important, Burman explains.

Also important is a multilingual staff, since older or incapacitated people often revert to their native language.

"We want to embody as many of the latest concepts as we can," says Burman, but most important of all, she stresses, "is a warm, family atmosphere."

A home is needed here because "the nearest Jewish nursing home is Baycrest, and apart from the difficulty of getting in, there's the added problem of distance from the family," Burman points out.

Shalom Village residents no longer able to care for themselves "have had to be sent to all kinds of places and it is a shame," she adds, "to see old people taken out of the Jewish environment of Shalom Village. Even those who were never committed Jews return to their roots when they are old."

Arthur Weisz and Irving Zucker have undertaken to look after top gifts and are also members of the building committee, which also includes David Burman and Ben Shekter.

A planning committee under the chairmanship of Pamela Sniderman, head of occupational therapy at St. Joseph's Hospital, includes Dr. Jim Galloway, former administrator of St. Joseph's and now executive director of the gerontological research council of Ontario, as well as a number of professionals and volunteers from the community.

Lutsky given Ontario award

TORONTO —
Jack Lutsky, a leading member of the Association of Jewish Seniors, was among 21 senior citizens honored with the 1988 Ontario Senior Achievement Award at a recent Queen's Park ceremony.

Ontario Premier David Peterson made the presentations encouraging everyone to get involved in Senior Citizens' Month — which is held in June each year — in their own communities.

Lutsky, 82, was chosen as one of the honorees for "demonstrating leadership, dedication and persistence by advancing programs for the benefit of seniors and all Canadians.

"This year's award recipients are being honored not only for their individual accomplishments, but also because they typify the spirit of thousands of seniors across this province," said Mavis Wilson, minister for senior citizens' affairs, in announcing the winners in the legislature. "Their accomplishments will help increase society's awareness of the vital role seniors play in our communities."

Wilson said the theme of this year's Senior Citizens' Month is Opportunity is Ageless recognizing that age is no barrier to exploring new challenges.

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Rabbi Shneur Weinberg (right), principal at Eitz Chaim (Patricia branch), and Rabbi Mordechai Yaffe, teacher, hold up sign showing $5,000 total reached by students at UJA Learnathon. [Graphic Artists photo]

School's Learnathon helps UJA

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
Students at Eitz Chaim were given the opportunity to experience learning and tzedakah at their annual Learnathon on behalf of United Jewish Appeal.

This year 113 boys, ranging from grade 5 students to seniors, participated, with principal Rabbi Shneur Weinberg and members of the teaching staff on hand throughout the entire exercise.

The Learnathon was initiated by Eitz Chaim in 1972 and has been a successful UJA fund raiser from the beginning, says Weinberg.

To eliminate unnecessary paperwork and followups, the method of collection was changed two years ago, Weinberg explained. "Sponsor money is collected in advance and it has worked extremely well."

To make for a more interesting study session, six local rabbis appeared at various intervals during the 14-hour study period to lecture the students and encourage them in their effort.

Dialogue Youth Wing is seeking to expand

By
BEN ROSE

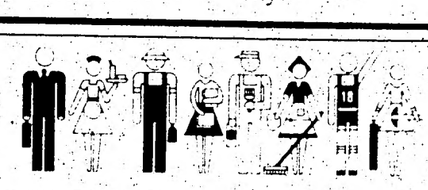
TORONTO —
An active campaign is underway to enlarge the membership and scope of the Youth Wing of the Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto. Its second Sunday brunch held recently at the home of Gloria and Gerald Morris, Kirkton Rd., featured a discussion on The Palestinian Uprising — Its Effect on Christian-Jewish Relations.

The guest speaker taking part in the discussion with about 25 young Christians and Jews was Shira Herzog Bessin, former director of the Canada-Israel Committee.

She urged the members of the Youth Wing to visit Israel whenever possible, and to gain additional perspective on the events in the territories by reading The Jerusalem Post, Israel magazines including the Israel Economist, and to listen to Kol Yisrael broadcasts in English on shortwave radio.

Sponsors of the meeting were the Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto, the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews and the Canadian Friends of the Shalom Hartman Institute of Jerusalem.

Robert Levy, one of the Youth Wing organizers, said he and Nomi Morris will be attending an international conference in Montreal, Aug. 17-19, preceding the colloquium of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews in that city.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Organizations and People

A memorable reunion

Ex-Shalomniks return to "valley of peace"

By
JEFF ROSEN

The circle is complete as former campers and staff members from Camp Shalom, many now parents themselves, join in an Israeli folkdance at the camp's 40th anniversary reunion. [Jeff Rosen photo]

GRAVENHURST, Ont. — *To this valley of peace we shall return wherever we may roam, for this vale of peace this place of love shall ever be our home...*

While most of those at Camp Shalom's 40th anniversary reunion last weekend attended the summer camp long before its new theme song was penned, the words rang true as over 300 ex-Shalomniks — former campers and staff alike — took part in a memorable reunion.

As one of those former campers (from 1969-72), I found all the old memories flooding back as Israeli music played over the loudspeaker system.

After checking in, ex-Shalomniks embraced (after a quick check of name tags), renewed old friendships and caught up with what their former camp comrades had been doing since leaving the summer retreat from reality.

"I think I'll stay here all summer," said one ex-staffer. "I think I'll be a camper...no a counsellor. They can do whatever they want."

The morning was left to roam around the camp to see exactly how it has changed over the years. Steve Gillick, chairman of the camp committee, said that since 1972 — when he started — the camp has undergone many physical changes, including a new dining hall and kitchen, office, new cabins, tennis courts and a revamped waterfront.

A special alumni exhibit was set up in the chapel complete with old photos. Of course this display of camp memorabilia was not the only way to recall years gone by.

With the cabins open, everyone was free to wander in and out and remember what it was like to live with cabin mates and sleep on a camp mattress. The lucky ones were even able to find the place where they had scrawled their names over their beds many years ago. As one of the more fortunate I was able to locate the cabin where I had written my name 19 years ago.

After a barbecue lunch of burgers, "dogs," and shishkabob, ex-Shalomniks and their offspring took part in a singsong. While all were older, the same spirit existed as they belted out the tunes loud and clear.

Ben-Zion Shapiro, camp director from 1964-69 and member of the camp committee from 1948 to 1971, gave a brief history of Shalom going back to June 1948 when he said "a lot of moving things happened."

"It had just been a month since Israel had declared her independence and we were still numb from the Holocaust," he said. "Suddenly Israel was very real to all of us."

He paid tribute to former camp committee members Morris and Thelma Berg, Dave Smith and Mollie Zimmerman and remembered the late Mark Zimmerman, first chairman of the committee, and former director Al Zimmerman.

The camp was founded in 1948 by Harris Gulko who purchased Silver Birch Lodge on the camp's present site for around $20,000.

"It's important to know how many lives have been touched by our vision," Shapiro said, pointing out that three generations have attended the camp in the past four decades.

This summer it is expecting over 200 campers per session. The camp director is Marcia Gilbert, executive director of Emunah Women in Toronto.

Former director David (Zippie) Zifkin said he faced two challenges when he became director in 1972 — expanding the camp and adding to its facilities.

"When I look back I had to resist the challenge of our camp becoming like other camps," he said. "A lot of successful people have gone here."

Among the prominent alumni are York University president Harry Arthurs, Senator Jerry Grafstein, Michele Landsberg, Al Hamel, Eddie and Brian Greenspan, Garth Drabinsky and Ron Kanter.

While most of these successful ex-Shalomniks were absent, Kanter, MPP for St. Andrew-St. Patrick, made the trek north for the day with his family.

"Believe it or not, I'm an ex-Shalomnik," Kanter told The CJN.

Looking back, Kanter says one of the things he remembers most about Camp Shalom is wearing Shabbat whites on Friday.

"Coming from Brantford it was an unusual experience to be in a totally Jewish environment," said the Toronto MPP, who was a camper in the late 1950s.

Robbie Feldman, former staff member and chairman of the camp committee from 1977-83, paid special tribute to custodian Moe Beiers who has been running the camp since 1957.

After lunch everyone dispersed to take part in various planned activities including arts and crafts, hikes to the plateau and lion's head, sports for children and folkdancing. Later, coming together, tug of war competitions were held before a final mifkud or assembly.

Former camp director Mark Resnik said at the final assembly that when he recalls his years at camp he remembers the peacefulness and harmony that existed.

"The history of this place has often paralleled that of Israel," he said.

Finally, a giant "Shalom" was burned in accordance with an end-of-camp tradition and former Shalomniks were sent on their way with a pledge to return in June 1998 for Camp Shalom's 50th anniversary.

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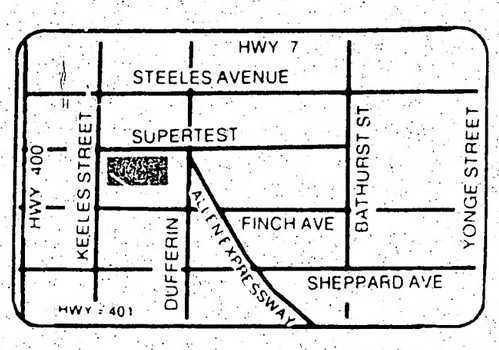

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Organizations and People

Hamilton's Paikin draws high praise at Negev Dinner

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — A musical tribute by the Canadian Brass and their good-natured kidding of honoree Larry Paikin set the tone for the Hamilton National Fund's Negev Dinner, a delightfully informal, entertaining and warm-hearted event at Adas Israel Synagogue.

It was in honor of a man who, for the most part quietly behind the scenes, has given much of himself to his community and to Israel.

In his tribute, CBC-TV reporter Steve Paikin described his father as "a man who," despite his gregarious nature, despite his sense of humor . . . seems to make his contribution away from the limelight . . . whose public service seems to take place in private.

"He is a man," Steve continued, "who doesn't talk much about his accomplishments — probably because he spends so much time talking about my mother's accomplishments — but those people who have worked on committees with our dad, know his quiet, competent dedication.

"Dad has been a real leader," he said, as he and his brother Jeff, who served as dinner chairman, made the joint presentation of the Negev Dinner citation.

Proceeds of the dinner will go towards Michmanim, Hamilton's twin city in Galil Canada, where Paikin established a park and playground in honor of his wife Marnie.

In his response, Paikin told guests that by attending, they would also become partners in Michmanim. "And we also helped build Canada Park, 12 priceless square miles of forest recreation area midway between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv," Paikin went on before listing the work and many accomplishments of JNF.

Larry Paikin

President of Ennis-Paikin Steel Ltd., Paikin's community involvement began with the presidency of Hillel at the University of Western Ontario in 1955-56 and includes directorships and presidencies of numerous boards both in the Jewish and general communities, but he is known especially for his support of local musical and artistic talent.

He is a past president of the Hamilton JNF and the current vice-chairman of the JNF of Canada national management committee and Hamilton State of Israel Bonds Israel Tourism Council chairman.

It was Paikin's idea to twin Michmanim with Hamilton and in his greetings on behalf of Federation president Phil Leon, HJF vice-president Mel Gunn, who recently returned from a mission to Israel, remarked how the work of JNF "was really brought home to us when we visited Michmanim. One of the first things we saw there," he said, "was Marnie Park and the Marnie Play Centre. I can't express our emotions when we saw that park."

Hamilton JNF president Stan Tick described Paikin as a "warmhearted, energetic and deeply committed individual . . . whom all of us have admired greatly." He reminded the gathering that JNF still has a great many tasks that have to be done.

National executive vice-president Michael Goldstein of Montreal praised the Hamilton community for the "fantastic job" it had done with the dinner, "which is in keeping with what is happening across the country."

He also presented past Hamilton JNF president Sheldon Frank with the president's medal and commended him for being one of the first in Canada "who have helped JNF move into the ranks of young leadership."

Frank also paid brief tribute to Paikin, while Ontario education minister Chris Ward, MPP, Wentworth North, and Ward I alderman Terry Cooke brought greetings on behalf of the province and the City of Hamilton respectively.

Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Shalom gave the closing benediction. Other participants in the program included Rabbi Israel Silverman of Beth Jacob Synagogue; Rabbi Morton Green of Adas Israel Congregation, Col. Yehushua Bar-Am and Marvin Rosenshein. The Negev Dinner committee was led by Stanley Paikin, campaign chairman; Sheldon Frank, associate campaign chairman and top gifts chairman, Chester Waxman.

TSO violinist Dubinsky dies

TORONTO

Isadore Dubinsky, who played violin with the Toronto Symphony for 50 years, died recently in Toronto. He was 85.

Born in Kiev in 1903, Dubinsky came to Toronto when he was 10 and started studying violin with Symphony conductor Luigi von Kunits at age 12. He joined the orchestra shortly afterwards.

During his half century with the TSO, Dubinsky, who claimed to have never missed a rehearsal or performance, played under such famous conductors as Sir Ernest MacMillan, Walter Susskind, Seiji Ozawa and Karel Ancerl.

Up until the 1930s, Dubinsky played in live theatres and silent movie houses. He also performed at Lake Louise, Alta., at the Manoir Richilieu in Quebec, the King Edward Hotel in Toronto and at the Mount Royal Hotel in Montreal. In addition, he taught privately.

Following retirement from the TSO, Dubinsky played for one year with the Florida Gulf Coast Symphony under the leadership of Irwin Hoffman.

Dubinsky, who was a member of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, is survived by his wife, Ida (nee Goodman); his son, Lorne, 39 and two daughters: Gloria and Karen Dubinsky, both of Toronto.

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Toronto doctors to honor Israeli specialists

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
Dr. Rafael Feinmesser and his wife, Meora, are taking a real souvenir from Canada back to their home in Israel — their first daughter, Shira, born last August in Toronto. They also have a young son, Gilad.

The 38-year-old ear, nose and throat specialist from Hadassah Medical Centre, Jerusalem, is also taking back a lot of knowledge and skill acquired in two years as a Fellow in the department of otolaryngology, Mount Sinai Hospital, working with Dr. Jeremy Freeman and Dr. Arnold Noyek.

At a farewell dinner on June 22, their colleagues will honor Dr. Feinmesser and Dr. Ferit Tovi, from Ben-Gurion University, Beersheba, who has been doing clinical research at Mount Sinai for the past year.

Dr. Noyek told The CJN that the emphasis was on giving the visiting Israelis experience in the sophisticated methods of diagnosis and surgical treatment of head and neck cancers, including cancers of the lymph nodes, larynx and thyroid gland. Freeman added that the hospital's new method of reconstructing faces after surgery was a valuable area of study as well.

Tovi, head of the department of otolaryngology at Ben-Gurion University, said his time at Mount Sinai Hospital was most worthwhile. His wife, Violet, and a daughter, Leora, were with him in Canada. They have another daughter in Israel.

Feinmesser said the number of head and neck cancer patients is far lower in Israel than in Canada, and the tumors, when they are discovered, are much smaller. "I think it is the combination of drinking and smoking which causes so much of it here," he said. "There is far less drinking in Israel."

He said "tonsils and tubes (in the ear)" are "the bread and butter" of ear, nose and throat specialists in Israel as in Canada. But he and his colleagues see a lot more complicated ear infection cases in Israel because patients from the Bedouin and Druze sub-cultures do not get treated with antibiotics in time in their own communities.

The Israeli visitors are enthusiastic about the connection established between their hospitals and Mount Sinai. For instance, Noyek and Dr. J. S. Chapnik are giving a series of lectures this fall in Israel, and Freeman will do so in 1989. Other Israeli doctors are expected to follow in the footsteps of Dr. Feinmesser and Dr. Tovi.

The Feinmesser family loves hiking and camping and have hiked the Bruce Trail and trails in Algonquin Park. "In fact we've gone everywhere a family with a new baby can go," Feinmesser said. A visit to his brother in Seattle afforded a chance to see a lot of the West Coast and Vancouver Island. The Laurentians, Montreal, Quebec City and the Gaspe were not overlooked either.

The family departs July 11 for Israel, leaving exactly 10 days for a first visit to the Maritimes.

Feinmesser's Fellowship was funded by the Hadassah Hospital, University of Toronto, the Mount Sinai Institute and the Silverman Research Foundation.

Two visiting Israeli doctors examine x-rays of head and neck cancer patients at Mount Sinai Hospital with two specialists on the hospital staff. From left are Dr. Jeremy Freeman, Dr. Rafael Feinmesser of Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem, Dr. Ferit Tovi of Ben-Gurion University, Beersheba, and Dr. Arnold Noyek. The Israelis are being honored by their colleagues at a farewell dinner, June 22.

15-bed cancer hospice planned

TORONTO —
A new Toronto foundation hopes to raise $2.5 million by 1989 to open and operate the city's first cancer hospice.

The non-profit White Light Hospice Foundation plans to establish a 15-bed facility in Metro Toronto to provide terminally ill cancer patients with medical care in a home-like, tranquil environment.

Unlike hospital palliative care units, the hospice will be a free-standing structure that will emphasize pain control, counselling and the patient's comfort in a non-institutional environment, says Anne Norris, executive director of the foundation's board.

A skilled team of medical and health-care professionals aided by volunteers will be available 24-hours-a-day to enhance the quality of life of the hospice's patients.

Family and friends will also be encouraged to play an important part in caring for the patient and the hospice will even provide them with overnight accommodation.

The hospice would dedicate itself to the best possible pain management while at the same time preparing both patients and family for the inevitable death, says Norris. Support for the patient's family and friends will not end when the patient dies, she adds.

Norris explains that the facility the White Light Hospice Foundation is working toward will have 15 private rooms for patients, in addition to common areas and other support facilities.

More than 17,000 people die of cancer each year in Ontario alone, but the needs of terminal patients have been mostly overlooked by health-care planners.

For the most part, the care available consists of palliative care units in hospitals, with all the regimentation and lack of privacy that tends to go with such large institutions.

The family's role is also limited in a hospital setting, but at the proposed facility, family, friends and pets would be welcome to visit anytime and even stay overnight.

Staff attitudes at the hospice also promise to be significantly different than those of hospital workers, explains Norris. Most medical professionals see their role as prolonging life, but at the hospice the emphasis will be on easing death.

And while it might sound like demanding work, she says the White Light Hospice Foundation has already received — despite the shortage of nurses in Toronto — a number of inquiries about nursing positions.

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Organizations and People

Health care legislation to boost community care

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
As part of the provincial government's attempt to move towards a broader based community health care system, the Independent Health Facilities Act has been introduced.

Ontario Health Minister Elinor Caplan said the legislation will provide for the licencing of a number of health care facilities to provide some services which have traditionally been available through hospitals.

"We recognize the tremendous potential new technology holds for moving more health care into the community," Caplan told the legislature. "At the same time we must provide a mechanism for funding, planning and monitoring community-based facilities."

This mechanism, Caplan said, will allow the ministry to negotiate funding with each licensed facility on an individual basis.

She said the ministry will be able to fund facilities on a global basis to cover operational costs including professional services or partially for costs other than salaries leaving physicians free to bill the Ontario Health Insurance Plan for their professional services.

Services eligible for funding will include laser technology in the treatment of diseases of the eye and uterus, abortions, in vitro fertilization, cataract surgery, radiology, fracture management, bladder and heart investigations.

Clinics already offering such services and charging a fee for overhead costs — like Henry Morgentaler's abortion clinic — will be required to submit an application for licencing within a year of the act's implementation. The minister said that the application will then be assessed based on the quality of service being provided and cost effectiveness of the facility.

"This legislation will allow the ministry to plan for and provide specific community-based services where they are most needed. It will encourage a greater variety of procedures now being done in hospitals to be safely provided in the community.

As a result, our institutions will be free to direct their expert care to those most in need, which in turn will result in substantial savings and efficiencies in our hospital sector."

Caplan said licenses will be awarded on the recommendation of a local district health council with preference given to non-profit and Canadian proposals.

NDP fights for cooperative housing

TORONTO —
Tenants would be given the right to gain control of their home environment if the owner decided to offer it for sale, under a private member's bill recently introduced by NDP MPP Mike Breaugh.

The Landlord and Tenant Amendment Act, 1988 would require the owner of an apartment building to offer it for sale to a tenants' cooperative or sponsoring non-profit housing organization wnen choosing to sell or demolish the building.

Breaugh, NDP housing critic, said tenants need this legislative protection to be sheltered from the effects of the current wave of real estate price increases and to preserve some of the housing not protected by the Rental Housing Protection Act.

"Cooperative housing offers not only economic security for families in need of rental housing, but also offers people an opportunity to have meaningful input into the way their apartment building is managed and maintained," Breaugh said.

He added that the idea of tenants having the right of first refusal has been endorsed by a variety of housing activists.

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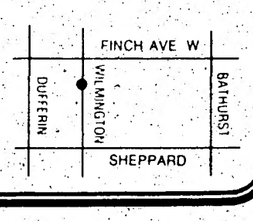


"Art for the masses"

Reactor designs are hot to the core

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

"Art must not be concentrated in dead shrines called museums. It must be spread everywhere...on the streets, in the trams, factories, workshops, and in the workers' homes."
— Vladimir Mayakovsky
Russian poet

A Toronto art and design studio has adopted this credo and taken it one step further. They believe that art should not only be spread into the workers' homes but that it should also be worn on the workers' backs.

Reactor Art and Design, a 6-year-old company whose talented core of artists has built an enviable record in the graphic art and design field, is now achieving similar success in the clothing business with a line of illustrated T-shirts and sweatshirts.

The concept was launched in late 1985 and in the short time since then Reactor Artwear has won several design awards, drawn rave notices in publications near and far, and achieved some pretty healthy sales figures.

As well as the tangible trappings of success there is another positive result of the company's expansion. For the 22 artists who make their living doing the commercial art work Reactor finds for them, the T-shirts offer them a chance for greater personal expression.

"We have always believed in public forms of art — art as a public statement," said Ron Bala, a Reactor partner involved in print production.

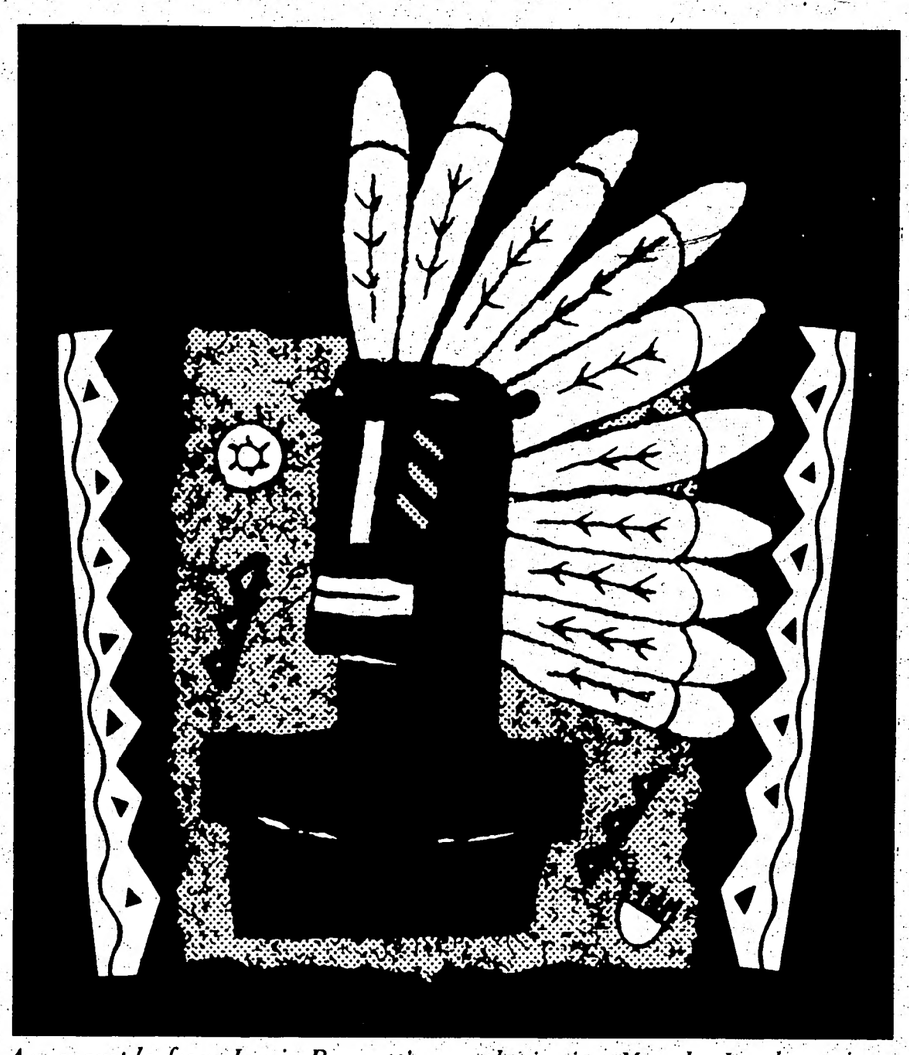
"One of our staff called it 'Art for the Masses' and I think that is a pretty good distillation of what we are doing."

In this age of television, people have developed a visual sophistication and an eye for imagery, Bala said.

"It seems to be a very fertile time for illustration. Inferences can be made in a very direct or very subtle manner that people identify with. Choosing and wearing one of these T-shirts becomes a personal esthetic statement."

The idea for Reactor Artwear came from two of the principals of the company, president Bill Grigsby and creative director Louis Fishauf.

The pair earlier fused two existing businesses together to form the art and design studio. Grigsby was an artist's representative, Fishauf a sought-after art director. By combining their talents they established a solid base to grow from.



An example from Jamie Bennett's award-winning Mumbo Jumbo series.

Reactor actually works for its artists, looking for commercial jobs — ranging from book designs to album covers to sales campaigns — that would suit their talents and then taking a commission from the earnings.

Fishauf and Grigsby were involved in the development of the corporate emblem T-shirt phenomenon, designing logos for Roots.

"After 25 or 30 designs I grew tired of the imagery," Fishauf said, "and I wanted to go further. This seemed like a good way to provide an outlet for the talent and ideas we have here."

The designs are as widely varied as the artists who create them.

Jamie Bennett, who won a Best Album Cover of the Year Juno award for The Parachute Club's Small Victories LP, designed a boldly colored African-inspired series titled Mumbo Jumbo. The series was honored with a gold medal from the Art Directors Club of Toronto.

The Art for the Masses series, created by Ross McDonald, features images inspired by Russian postage stamps from the early part of this century. The strong, determined faces of the workers depicted draws an immediate response.

Other designs run the gamut of styles from the naivete of Jeff Jackson's simple designs to the gentle, prodding humor of Maurice Vellekoop's work. The artists obviously enjoy the freedom of expression, experimenting with different ideas and techniques.

Rather than following the typical seasonal approach of clothing companies, Reactor has decided to release 12 new designs every two months, which Fishauf, former art director for Saturday Night and founding designer of T.O. Magazine, calls "more like putting out a magazine."

The approach also offers more flexibility to retailers, who don't have to commit themselves to large seasonal orders, but can have fresh merchandise arriving in the store on a regular basis.

The astounding success of Roots, Beaver Canoe, Cotton Ginny and others who have been able to convince people that blatantly advertising their companies is a desirable thing to do, should bode well for the success of Reactor which raises the idea to a higher esthetic level.

"Young people become associated in groups," Bala said. "There are Roots kids, Club Monaco kids. We hope in the near future there will be Reactor kids."

"We're selling the art"

But, as Fishauf points out, there is a difference.

"What we're selling is the art. These are images that people relate to at some level. It says something about a person's own attitude rather than joining a club."

Ashak Cabani, partner and director of merchandising, is responsible for developing new ideas for retailing the artist's work. As well as the short and long-sleeved T-shirts and sweatshirts, Reactor is branching into other projects — rugs, pottery, greeting cards, jewelry, posters and prints.

With projected artwear sales this year of $500,000 in the U.S., $350,000 in Canada, and $50,000 each in Europe and Japan, Reactor's future looks glowing.

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Reactor's location at 51

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Japanese journal calls artwear "A must for this summer"

T-shirts provide graphic outlet for artists' expression

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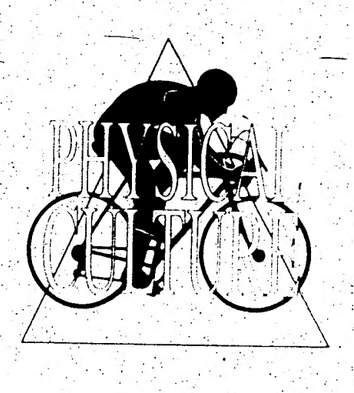
Camden St., just off Spadina between Richmond and Adelaide, is well marked by posters on hundreds of neighbouring lamp posts. The design studio also features a gallery of the artist's work, and a retail showroom for shirts and other articles.

Short-sleeved T-shirts retail for $25, long-sleeved for $35 and sweatshirts are $50. The material and construction is of a very high quality.

Reactor storefront locations are in the works, as is a New York office for both the artwear and the commercial art. The work of Reactor artists has been featured in prestigious publications across North America and beyond, including Rolling Stone, The Washington Post, GQ, The Boston Globe, and many more.

In Toronto, the artwear line is available at Stoneworks, Mad Company, Ou La La, Bragg and Capezio, as well as at the retail showroom.



A wide variety of artistic styles and mediums are presented on Reactor Artwear. Four series of three new designs are released every two months, offering flexibility to the retailer and variety to the consumer. Shown above are examples from a recent offering.

Designer Marilyn Brooks serves up deli fashions

Next time you're visiting a Marilyn Brooks Boutique, don't be surprised if the customers lined up at the cash sound like they're ordering lunch at a fast food joint.

"I'll take a slim, topped with an overload, two cascades and a mini and, uh, add a tube to that...."

Brooks is intent on inventing some new fashion lingo to go along with her new line of deli fashions.

Introduced in March at the Festival of Canadian Fashion, Fashion Take-Outs is a line of mix-and-match basics that come prepackaged in deli take-out containers.

There are 11 basic pieces in the line, including skirts, pants, tops, sashes and multi-purpose "tubes" which work as head bands, hip bands, cowls and tops.

The garments are constructed of a wrinkle-resistant cotton-polyester blend, and come in a selection of solids featuring basic black and a neutral combined with seasonal colors to complement the existing line.

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Fashion

Dull and drab is out for fashion-conscious seniors

By
WENDY ROSEN

Getting older doesn't necessarily mean losing a sense of fashion — at least if styles presented at the recent Goodage Show at the International Centre are any indication.

Dull and drab was definitely out. High contrast, elegant silhouettes and surprisingly short — some as much as two inches above the knee — skirt lengths for both day wear and evening wear were the order of the day as about 30 non-professional models pranced, danced and strutted down the runway to the cheers and applause of about 200 people.

The models were selected from about 300 hopefuls who auditioned after reading an item in the seniors column of a local newspaper.

Skirts and dresses ran the gamut from short and form-fitting to long and flared. Some short jackets were shown but most were of a longer variety.

Although the show, entitled Fashion Possibilities, was sponsored by Caravan Clothes, a division of Doncaster Home Health Care which specializes in adaptable and more mature apparel, the designers enlisted by Peter Duck, Sherri Graham and Luis Machado of Ryerson Polytechnical Institute's School of Fashion, who produced and directed the show, included such current designers as Stephan Caras, Tu Ly and Wesley and Winsa (see separate story).

Caras in particular showed a high-contrast elegantly cut black gown which was enhanced by a fuchsia ruffle at the shoulders to form a triangular effect in the back. A long, black dress, which was split up the front to above the knee, featured a white-and-black print overskirt and a wide, fuschia belt.

The crowd wildly cheered Lorri Lepard's collection of evening wear. A simple black velvet dress was accented by two roses at the right shoulder.

Three 1st-time models look relaxed and professional as they present Marilyn Brooks' dragonfly print at the recent Goodage show. (Rough Layout photo)

But the piece de resistance was when a woman in a fuchsia print beaded gown — form-fitting through the bodice, with three tiers and roses around the shoulder line — walked down the runway on the arm of an elegantly attired man.

Dressed in a tuxedo with a long white scarf wrapped around his neck, he blew kisses to the audience during the finale when all the models took a last prance down the runway (to the tune of If My Friends Could See Me Now).

Wayne Clark also showed three evening dresses all of which were knee length or higher. A strapless black velvet dress with a satin inset down the front panel of the bodice and a satin tier seemed a little youngish for more mature women. However, the black tuxedo-style dress with Joan Crawfordish shoulders appeared popular with the crowd as did a similarly cut, 2-piece black skirt and top.

Tu Ly presented a grouping of crisp green cotton coordinates. These included a green-and-white striped shirt and full flowing long skirt accented with a white-and-green string of beads. He also used a darker shade of green with a maroon to create a print jacket which was teamed with a green dress as well as a black one.

Wesley and Winsa also showed several tailored coordinates including a maroon full skirt and top, the neckline of which was a variation of a cowl.

Other designers or companies which were featured at the show were: Edith Strauss, Pat McDonagh, Images That Suit, Excelsior Custom Clothing (several men's suits and a tuxedo were shown), Mode 3, Selina, Marilyn Brooks and Caravan Clothes.

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British jewelry designer's works have medieval feel

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

Several years ago I fell in love with a ring sitting in the case of one of Toronto's specialty jewelry shops.

I was especially taken with the design because it included a variety of great techniques including engraving under the distinctive enamelling. And this bauble had a great combination of colors — crimson and gray. The medieval styling was enhanced by a high set yellow citrine.

These elements all came together and this one magical piece always stayed in my mind as did the name of the English designer — Elizabeth Gage.

Recently, while I was in London my memory was jogged when I passed a jewelry shop window on Albemarle St. and saw several surprisingly familiar pieces.

It was a boutique owned by Gage. Needless to say, I couldn't resist the pull to investigate the baubles inside and while there asked if the designer was available.

The interview the next day was timely since it wasn't more than a month before that I had read an article in The New York Times about the American designer Carolyne Roehm and the photo featured, showed this stunning woman wearing the easily identifiable Gage jewels.

I should have anticipated from her dramatic and large designs that the designer herself wouldn't be a petite woman. She was tall and handsome with wonderful English skin and clear eyes.

We sat in her pale paisley-print decorated shop under a willow tree on a plush sea foam green sofa.

Dressed in a plaid outfit with a medieval look, she was a walking advertisement for her own jewelry. Large gray pearls were set in a spray of gold on her ears, an antique coin was enhanced by a huge gold floral shaped brooch detailed with a rare-shaped pearl, and enamelled rings twirled on four of her fingers. On her, the look was great. She could carry it all off.

Designer Elizabeth Gage

The feminine-designed shop is guarded by a doorman who ushers the clients in and out and obviously doesn't unlatch the door unless he likes what he sees on the other side of the glass. But precaution seems necessary in London especially when the premises are filled with expensive, precious gems.

A willing and knowledgeable assistant looks after the clients. It's seldom, if ever, that Gage herself is seen on the floor or behind the single small counter/showcase.

The London native took goldsmithing at Sir John Cass College. These courses are known to be exceptional. After that, it wasn't long that Gage won the coveted De Beers Award in 1972.

Design and enamelling were major interests then, too, as "enamelling gives me the volume and the color to work with." It is also a statement and testimonial of the workmanship which goes into each of Gage's pieces.

After designing for other companies, Gage finally opened her own retail boutique in 1979. And it's also the only place in the world where the jewelry can be purchased. However, once a year, she exhibits in New York at the Hotel Carlyle — usually selling out her collection.

Although she enjoys working with most stones she does have a penchant for tourmalines and a lesser known grouping, the spinel family. Here stones range from blue to red to pink.

Although she purchases her stones in London she travels to Germany for the cutting. Gage says that many of the stones she chooses are cabochons and not the facetted variety.

"These were once considered not as valuable as the cut stones but now all that has changed," she said, adding that "most important is that the stones be sensuous. I like to feel them. Besides it's the stone that dictates the designs."

The medieval feeling comes from her interest in history.

"It started becoming part of me when I was reading a lot of the world's history. It's like a painter being influenced by another period. After you've made something, you're not sure where the influence comes from."

Since she's absolutely opposed to selling in volume her one-of-a-kind designs have the exclusiveness that private club members feel — slightly elitist. And although the jewelry has the flavor of the old, "my jewels are made for the modern woman for wearing and enjoying now."

Her business obviously hasn't suffered from her decision to remain exclusive. In fact it's grown so quickly that she now employs 14 jewellers and 16 sales people.

She sketches the design which usually "has contrast and dimension" before giving instructions to her craftsmen. Gage inevitably supervises the procedure until it is up to her standards of perfection. Anyone who orders a piece must be patient as it takes about six weeks.

Israeli fashions sell in Montreal

MONTREAL — Lovers of the fine leather fashions made in Israel should be on the lookout for a new label this fall.

At least one Montreal store, Boutique Rita on Monkland Ave., has ordered the fall line of De Vries, a new fashion house based in Herzliya Pituach, near Tel Aviv.

Its young owner, 24-year-old Ilan de Vries was in Montreal and New York to show samples of his women's leather clothing to prospective buyers. He had the support of the Israeli government's trade commission offices in both cities.

The clothing is high fashion and high priced, including mainly jacket and skirt coordinates, and some outerwear. They are made of buttersoft Italian lambskin and nappa leathers.

Among the pieces de Vries brought with him were a medium brown silk-printed ensemble of a buttonless, collarless straight-line jacket teamed with a valanced hem skirt, and a 3-piece outfit of bolero jacket with ruffled back, a zippered, stapless camisole and skirt, again valanced.

Asymmetry is a feature of a roomy, big-shouldered jacket, with turned-up cuffs. It is created out of pieces of taupe-shaded leather — no two are alike.

Skirts are available in both mini and longer lengths.

The outfits are generously cut and fully lined.

Dena Mandell, owner of Boutique Rita, which has carried other Israeli leather fashions in the past, said the de Vries line could appeal to women of almost any age, depending on their figure and finances. She describes the collection as sophisticated.

"Leather is part of the well-dressed woman's wardrobe. It's not a fad."

De Vries established the company last October with girlfriend Liat Weinberg, who is the designer. Thus far, production has been for export. Holland, the native country of de Vries' parents, was the first market.

He notes that the company, which currently employs 12 to 15 people, has the capacity to produce 1,000 pieces a month and is looking to expand to foreign orders.

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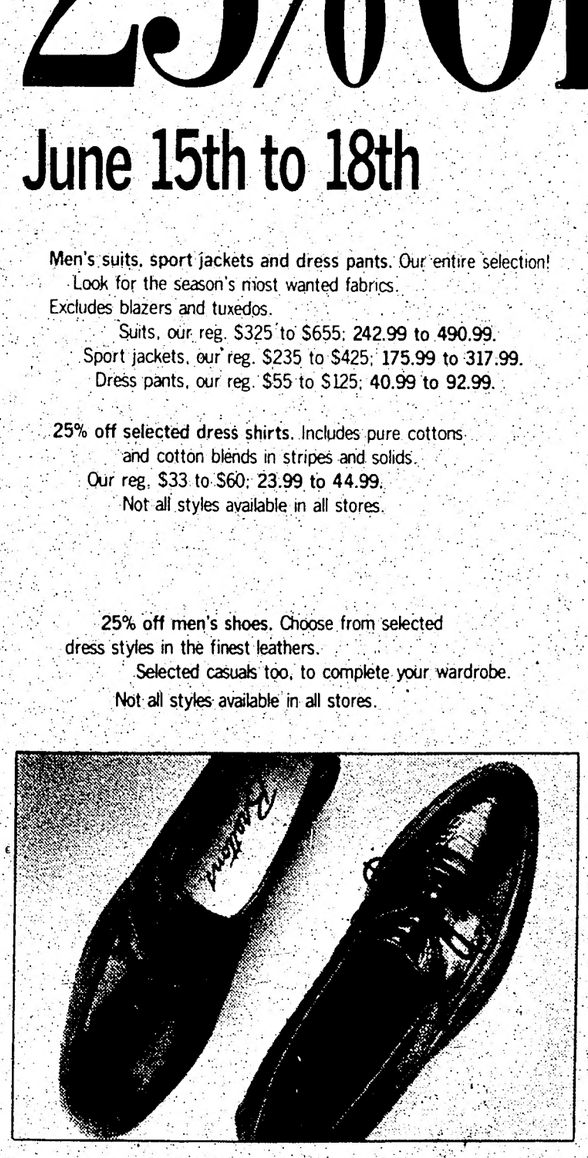

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Jackie K stays young with infusion of new talent

By
JUNE FONER

Jack Kimel's two noteworthy young designers, Mary Chong and Susan Ioi, were not even a twinkle in their parents' eyes when he started his women's sportswear business on Spadina Ave. forty years ago.

Kimel is certainly not a newcomer to the fashion scene — his other name is Mr. Gaytown. His wife, Florence, joined him in the business about seven years ago, as did their son, Jamie Dale.

In tune with the growing demand for feminine fashions and party wear, mother and son look after the company's relatively new Jackie K and Zakura dress divisions.

Mary Chong graduated from Sheridan College and won a 1-year Fashion Canada Scholarship to continue her studies at Fashion Institute of Technology in New York. She returned to Toronto, and after a few years designing sportswear for a local manufacturer, she ran her own design company for seven years. Chong joined Jackie K in 1982.

"I design with a certain woman in mind. She's intelligent, a no-nonsense type and definitely upwardly mobile. I know where she's going, and what she has to wear to take her there."

Her 1- and 2-piece dresses are styled for business women who want versatile fashions that they can wear to the office and later that evening.

Sold at retail prices ranging from $150-$250, they are available in department stores and specialty chains across the country (Liptons and One + One, Holt Renfrew, Chadwicks). Seen here is a navy and white twin printed dress, which integrates a small and a large design on viscose crepe, it retails for $250.

Ioi (pronounced Oy), was also born in Toronto. She is a Ryerson graduate and was one of five students selected for the 1976 Fashion Canada Award.

She joined the Kimel group after a few years of designing incognito for other people in the Toronto fashion industry. Ioi says that women "now are thinking in terms of event dressing. They no longer just-add evening accessories to a day-time look, when they go out to a special function."

Never have fashion stores been so full of formal party dresses. This is what keeps her busy at Zakura these days. Her line is available at Hollys, One + One, and MGI.

Model wears a 2-piece navy and white dress designed for Jackie K by Sheridan College graduate Mary Chong. Chong and fellow designer Susan Ioi have breathed new life into the firm.

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Even a madman would weep

Tour-de-force performance in Stratford's King Lear

By
FRANK RASKY

STRATFORD, Ont. — **"To see an old man tottering about the stage with a walking stick, turned out of doors by his two daughters on a rainy night, has nothing in it but what is painful and disgusting,"** wrote Charles Lamb, the English essayist, in an 18th-century stage review.

Lamb concluded contemptuously, "That is all the feeling which the action of *Lear* ever produced in me."

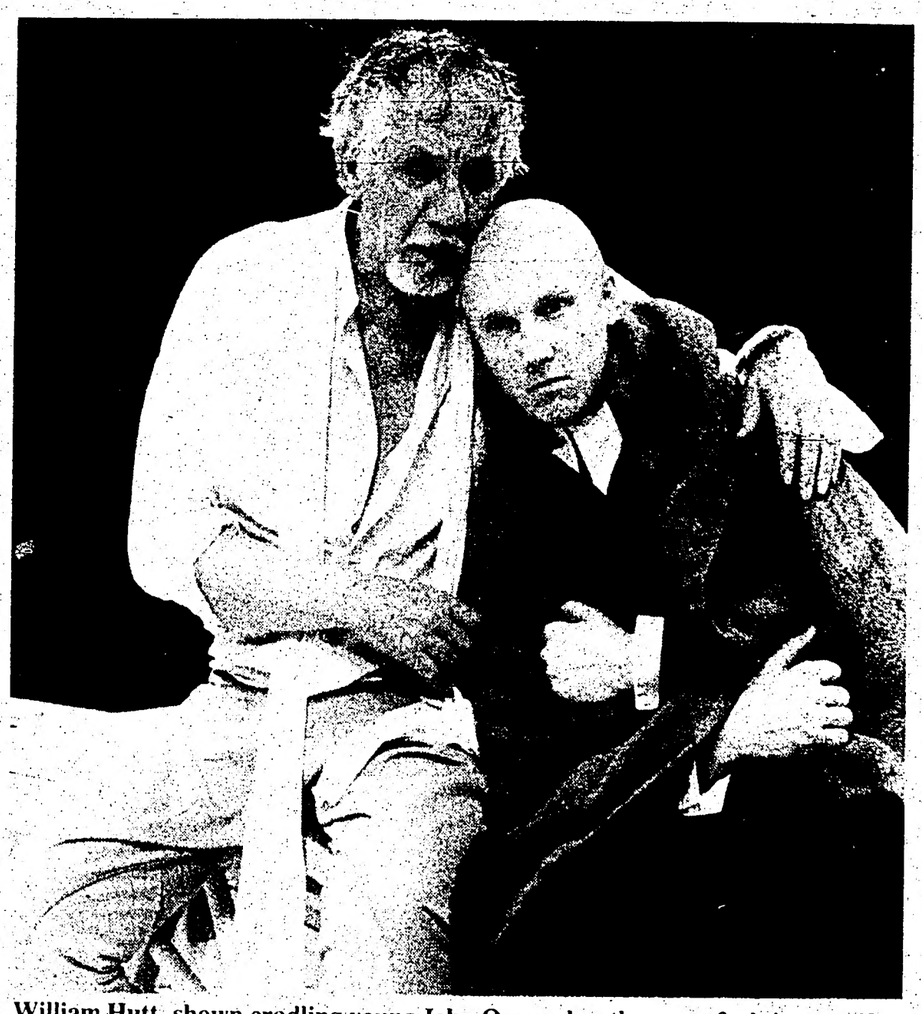
On the contrary, his fellow contemporary essayist, William Hazlitt, called *King Lear* "the best of all Shakespeare's plays."

I disagree with both of these illustrious critics. I believe that *Hamlet* is Shakespeare's sovereign masterpiece that plumbs the human heart most deeply.

But *Lear* runs it a close second. The tragedy of the "lunatic king" — driven mad by the injustices of his pitiless children and the folly of his own impetuous arrogance — has a poetic grandeur and majesty, a universality and elemental force that still makes audiences weep after 385 years.

I was among those who wept at the Robin Phillips' production of this imperishable classic when it was presented here during the opening week of the Stratford Festival's 36th season.

It is frequently staged as a bellicose melodrama, windy with bombast and rant. But thanks to Phillips' lucid, understated production, its poetic power and pathos is all the more gripping. He has stripped away its verbal and scenic excesses, focused on the development of character, and thus made it Stratford's most moving Shakespearean drama this season.



William Hutt, shown cradling young John Omerod as the court fool, is magnificent in the title role of King Lear as the Stratford Festival.

A good deal of the credit must go to William Hutt in the title role. He has portrayed Lear on three previous occasions. Now, at 67, after nearly 30 seasons with the Festival, the Toronto-born actor seems to have scaled the peak of his career and presented the finest Lear I have ever seen.

To put it simply, his performance is a thoroughly believable tour-de-force. This is no mere tale of a grandiose king of ancient Britain. Instead, Hutt has sought out the universality of his character — a rash and prideful old man who undergoes Job-like woes as a result of foolishly misjudging the faults and virtues of his children.

Right from the outset, Hutt presents Lear as a vain, yet credible, dictatorial father. Dressed in an unfancy Edwardian suit (designed by Abram Waterhouse), the whitehaired monarch gathers his court in the simple, pine-board set of the Festival's Third Stage (designed by Elis Y. Lam).

He has decided to divide his kingdom among his three daughters, according to how they answer his naively egotistical question: "Which of you shall we say doth love us most?"

His eldest daughter, Goneril (portrayed by the short, blonde, seemingly guileless, prize-winning actress of the Festival's Young Company, Marion Adler) plays his childish game and lies that he is "dearer than eye sight" to her.

His second oldest daughter, Regan (portrayed by Susan Coyne, the Young Company's saccharine Juliet last season, who here proves to be even more cruel than her wicked sister Goneril) is an equally gifted liar. She claims she is infinitely more ardent in her devotion than Goneril.

His youngest, favorite daughter, Cordelia (portrayed by the sweet-faced, sparkly-eyed, Calgary actress, Melanie Miller, who played Lady Montague in *Romeo and Juliet* last season) speaks candidly. She refuses to indulge in the "glib and oily art" of flattery.

Her honesty angers her petulant father. In a blaze of wrath, he disowns her and peremptorily decides to split his kingdom between the two dissembling sisters.

When the pair of them are left alone on stage, Goneril speaks bluntly of the old man: "He always loved our sister most; and with what poor judgment he has now cast her off appears too grossly."

Regan agrees: "He hath ever but slenderly known himself."

"Pray you, let's hit together," schemes Goneril, before their mercurial father treats them the way he has Cordelia.

The two soon conspire to humiliate and degrade him. They eventually shut the doors of their castles in the face of their 80-year-old father, leaving the crack-brained king to wander about the moors in a storm, guided by a fool and a blind man.

The fool is his court jester (played with disarming, frank wit by young John Omerod, who was Paris in last year's *Romeo And Juliet*). "Who can tell me who I am?" asks Lear. "Lear's shadow," replies the jester, suggesting that the king, in giving away his crown, has lost his identity and power.

Though he may have lost his kingdom, Lear has gained instead insight and humility. Perhaps the most poignant scene in the play is when Lear cradles the fool in his arms on the blasted heath and cries out to the elements:

"Blow, winds, and crack your cheeks! Rage! Blow!
Rumble thy bellyful! Spit, fire! Spout, rain!
. . . Here I stand, your slave
A poor, infirm, weak and despised old man:
More sinn'd against than sinning."

The blind man is the Earl of Gloucester (played by the organ-voiced, Orson Wellesian, veteran Festival actor William Webster, who keeps improving with every role). Gloucester is Lear's former trusted advisor, who remains loyal to his monarch and is punished vilely for his pains.

In the play's most horrifying scene, Gloucester is tortured by Regan and her husband the Duke of Cornwall into confessing that he advised Lear to flee to Dover.

"Wherefore to Dover, sir?" asks Regan. Gloucester replies:

"Because I would not see thy cruel nails
Pluck out his poor old eyes, nor thy fierce sister
In his anointed flesh stick boarish fangs."

Regan goads her husband into plucking out both of Gloucester's eyes and grinding them with his boot heel. When one of their own servants protests the cruelty and draws a sword, Regan stabs the man from behind.

The blinded Gloucester is ordered by Regan to be pushed out of the gates and caustically advised to "smell his way to Dover."

It is little wonder that the blind man and the madman grow increasingly pessimistic about the brutality of people in power.

True, Lear becomes somewhat more stoical when he is temporarily reunited with Cordelia. With joyful insouciance, he tells his beloved daughter:

"Come, let's away to prison:
We two alone will sing like birds i' the cage:
We'll pray and sing, and tell old tales, and laugh
At gilded butterflies, and hear poor rogues
Talk of court news; and we'll talk with them too,
Who loses and who wins, who's in, who's out;
As if we were God's spies."

Alas, the tragedy ends with Cordelia being hanged in prison, and Lear, just prior to his own death, wheeling her corpse on stage and keening aloud with grief:

"Howl, howl, howl, howl!
O, you are men of stones:
A plague upon you, murderers, traitors all!
I might have saved her; now she's gone forever.
Cordelia! Cordelia! Stay a little. Ha!
What is't thou say'st? Her voice was ever soft,
Gentle and low, an excellent thing in woman."

It's a paean of heartbreak in a timeless tragedy that would make even a madman weep.

Big romp of imagination in summer fantasy flick

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — **Imagination is a vital ingredient in film. But somehow or other, more than a few directors skirt it completely, giving viewers a skewed and sterile vision of their reality.**

Of course, too much imagination can be detrimental, but just enough of it is more than pleasing.

These thoughts came to mind as I watched *Big*, the Penny Marshall comedy now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres.

Big, starring the irrepressible Tom Hanks, is a child's fantasy that most adults will likely appreciate.

Joshua (Hanks), a normal 13-year-old boy, is seized with frustration and humiliation after a carnival attendant refuses to let him on a rollercoaster. Since he's too short to get on the ride with the blonde girl he likes, Joshua stalks off angrily, wishing he could be older.

Confiding in an unplugged mechanical fortune teller, he discovers the following morning, to his utter amazement, that his wish has been granted.

Left to fend for himself after he leaves home, Joshua, a computer whiz, finds employment, and a remarkable degree of contentment, at a New York City toy company. MacMillan (Robert Loggia), the boss, is impressed with his refreshing forthrightness, playfulness and simple profundities. And Susan (Elizabeth Perkins), an attractive executive, is mesmermized by his quirky personality.

Hanks, a major comic talent, is both innocent and vulnerable in his role. He resembles Chance, the alluring character in one of Jerzy Koscinki's novels.

Whether he is dancing nimbly on a toy floor piano, nibbling ridiculously on a miniature corn, spitting out caviar in disgust, or completely misunderstanding Susan's sexual innuendos. Hanks is delightful.

He moves through the film like a force of nature, totally at ease with his surroundings.

Perkins, icy at first, melts as the plot thickens. Loggia is loose and limber and supple throughout.

Big, **though it may not be entirely original, is a romp into the heady realm of imagination, redolent of a Steven Spielberg film, with all its fantastic toys and gimmicks and twists and turns.**

It has a gentle warmth about it that is first of all appealing and second of all genuine.

To accept *Big* **on its own terms, you have to suspend your conventional notions of reality. And if you can do this, you won't be disappointed.**

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Singer Gaon, comic Tzafir help local Israelis celebrate

By
ED FEUER

TORONTO —

Israelis know how to have a good time — *l'asot chaim.*

And the Israelis in Toronto did it impressively with singer Yehoram Gaon and comedian Tuvia Tzafir at a 40th anniversary dinner celebration last week at the Constellation Hotel that had the barest minimum of speechmaking and the maximum emphasis on fun.

The event was sponsored by Sabra Tours, El Al and Sunoco No Touch Car Wash. Praise must go to the organizers, Yossi Shai, Nahum Kara and Amnon Levmore who, as Consul-General Benjamin Abileah pointed out, realized the importance of having a celebration "made by Israelis for Israelis." Proceeds went to Beit Halochem in Israel through the Aid to Disabled Veterans of Israel (Canada) organization.

In brief welcoming remarks, Abileah said that with all the strains of the last while, "I believe there are none more than the Israelis in this city who know that we will overcome" and that "Israel is the same Israel we have loved all the years, and all the propaganda will not produce gains for our enemies.

"That more than anything else makes it important to celebrate Israel's 40th anniversary and to celebrate with great joy all of our accomplishments and to look forward to more years of greater progress for Israel, more expressions of Israel's potential, more expression of Israel's place in the family of nations, and I am sure we will make it."

Harvey Joseph, president of Aid to Disabled Veterans of Israel (Canada), said helping Beit Halochem was helping an organization "that allows individuals to help themselves."

Yehoram Gaon entertains in Toronto.

Then it was time for the dancing, laughter and singing. The amazingly versatile Starsband, directed by David Kribushei, enticed people to the dance floor throughout the evening with a variety of tunes ranging from the twist, Elvis and La Bamba to Greek, Mizrachi and horas.

Comedian Tuvia Tzafir brought along the Israeli cabinet and he delighted the crowd with impressions in Hebrew and English. Some samples:

• "Yitzhak Shamir" (done on Tzafir's knees) urged visitors to Israel to take something back with them — Shimon Peres.

• "Shimon Peres" claimed he is shomer Shabbat every day. He also commented on the double meaning when Israeli politicians say "dear friends" to Galut audiences: "You are dear to us, we are expensive for you."

• A slow-talking "Chaim Bar-Lev" said Israeli roads are dangerous so he raised the speed limit to have drivers spend less time on them. "Bar-Lev" remarked that drivers in Toronto turn right on red lights but in Israel, he said, they go straight.

• "Avraham Shapira" sang "If I were a thin man."

• "David Levy" defined the word "prelude" as "lifnai Lod" — "before Lod."

• The white-wigged "Arik Sharon" boasted, "Dafaknu (we knocked up) et Abu Jihad, dafaknu et Demjanjuk . . ." Sharon also sings "Achad ani yodea" with "Arik, Arik, Arik" as the one he knows.

Tzafir was followed by feature attraction Yehoram Gaon, who displayed his old magic accompanied by Danny Pollack and the Select Band. He sang with conviction and power in his lyrics about the values Israel holds dear.

Gaon, who also has starred in films including *Kazablan* and *Operation Thunderbolt*, gave the audience what they had come to hear with popular favorites from his albums, and he interspersed his repertoire with his own brand of humor.

He led off with *M'al Pisgat Har Hatzofim*, one of his signature songs expressing his love of Jerusalem, and continued with a medley from the War of Independence. Other songs included his moving tribute to a battlefield medic, *Balladah l'Chovesh*, as well as a song about heroism at Entebbe and *Hamilchamah Ha'achronah*, in which a father promises his little girl that this is the last war.

Other songs included *Simanei Derech*, *Aifoh*, *Elef Neshikot*, a religious medley, and the wistful *Al Kol Aleh*, which had a special meaning to the audience.

Well-paced Broadway Bound pleases

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Neil Simon's long climb from obscurity to fame, which is encapsulated in his rib-tickling trilogy, is the stuff of Americana.

The trilogy, which relates the life and times of his alter-ego, Eugene Morris Jerome, is the quintessential American success story.

In *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, Eugene enters the painful shoals of adolescence. In *Biloxi Blues*, he leaves the warmth of his home and is inducted into the armed forces. In *Broadway Bound*, playing at the Royal Alexandra Theatre until July 9, he dreams of marrying his sweetheart and making good as a writer of comedy sketches.

Simon's three plays, which are among the best in his repertoire, unfold against the backdrop of a struggling middle-class Jewish family in Brooklyn. Framed by the Depression and the Cold War years, they resound to the hopes and fears and joys and disappointments of the rambunctious Jerome clan.

The brothers Jerome, Eugene (David Bachman) and Stanley (Bruce Clayton), are getting on with their lives, but rather drably. Stanley can't bear the thought of being a prosaic department store manager, while Eugene chafes under the boredom of a warehouse job. Both yearn for recognition as comedy writers. Both hunger to break loose from their conventional existence.

In a state of agitation, Stanley rushes into Eugene's room and all but convinces him that opportunity is knocking on their door. If they can produce an acceptable script for CBS radio, they'll be on their way to stardom. As it turns out, Stanley is exaggerating a little, but Eugene, nevetheless, is swept up by the sheer enthusiasm of his plans.

Their doting mother, Kate (DeAnn Mears), is hard-pressed to understand their jokes or to visualize success in their chosen field. However, she empathizes with her sons. In her youth, she gave up a promising career in dance to marry their father, Jack (Frank Savino), a cutter in the garment industry. Now, as a plain housewife whose universe does not extend beyond the tight confines of her home, she dies a little each time she suspects her husband of infidelity.

Ben (Bernie Passeltiner), the boys' crotchety, selfish, Socialistic grandfather, inhabits a world of his own. And like Kate, he is rather skeptical about their ambitions.

As directed by Kurt Reis, *Broadway Bound* — **which is literate and feisty — is a well-paced show with a stellar cast.**

If Simon's zippy dialogue is its heart and soul, then the actors are surely its limbs.

David Bachman stands tall, radiating warmth and energy. Bruce Clayton is a human dynamo, wheeling across the stage with immense self-confidence and panache. DeAnn Mears, whose Brooklynese accent is faulty, comes into her own in a dance sequence with Bachman. Bernard Passeltiner is simply delightful as Ben. Frank Savino is adept at epitomizing the pathos of a delayed midlife crisis.

Thanks to them, *Broadway Bound* is entertainment of a high order.

In a scene from Broadway Bound, David Bachman (left) trades words with Bruce Clayton. DeAnn Mears looks on.

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Klein dictionary is published after 22-year effort

By
DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Rabbi Ernest Klein's posthumous *A Comprehensive Etymological Dictionary of the Hebrew Language for Readers of English* was officially launched recently, after a writing, editing, and publication process 22 years long.

"I am relieved and delighted," chief supporter and project coordinator Beatrice Minden told The Canadian Jewish News prior to the ceremony. "Seeing the book through was my husband's dying request."

The Beatrice and Arthur Minden Foundation, which she started after the death of her husband Arthur in 1966, has largely supported the project. Earlier, her husband helped subsidize the publication of Klein's Comprehensive Etymological Dictionary of the English Language. "The first volume of that was published just months before Arthur died," she said.

The new 750-page Hebrew etymological dictionary, published by Carta of Jerusalem, is being distributed in Canada by Collier MacMillan at $118.75, she said. Donning a navy fly jacket in place of its red one here, it is being sold in the U.S. for US$85.

"'What will you do now?', my husband asked Rabbi Klein after the English dictionary came out," said Minden. "He told him he wanted to do a full etymological study of Hebrew. Arthur got him the books he needed, just as he got sick. I promised him I would see the book through to its publication if he couldn't."

He died shortly afterwards, propelling Minden into the often hectic and exasperating world of cross-ocean publishing.

"I got Rabbi Klein a secretary, and he began," she said. It took 10 years before Klein, distracted by the ill health of his sister, his only surviving relative, "came to me and said he was finished." The result of his labor was "a number of boxes filled with file cards, which had to be edited."

At the enthusiastic advice of Moshe Kones, who was raising funds for Haifa University at the time, Minden submitted Klein's material to that university, and arranged payment. Progress was slow, and she chose a second firm in Israel to edit and publish the book.

"Dvir Publishing in Jerusalem — which became Carta — agreed to publish it on payment. Publisher Emanuel Hausman promised to do it as his personal project."

Hausman, who participated in the book launch, was "a man of his word," said Minden. "He saw to it that all the editing was properly done."

Minden also acknowledged the help of her lawyer Morris Gross, who drew up the contract with Carta. "It took almost a whole year, with it going back and forth between here and Israel, before the contract was signed," she said.

Beatrice Minden examines new dictionary, published in memory of her late husband (pictured at right).

"I only wish the book had come out in time for Rabbi Klein to have seen it," she said. Klein, whom her husband first met in 1960 when he began to take Hebrew lessons from him, died in 1983.

"Do you believe in life after death?" Minden asked this reporter suddenly. "Rabbi Klein did.

"Perhaps he does know about the book after all."

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The Yellow Wind angry and penetrating

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

The Yellow Wind, by David Grossman. Collins, $23.95.

This book caused a furor in Israel. It aroused fierce dissension and controversy. Excerpted in two issues of the New Yorker Magazine, its impact was felt by a multitude of American readers.

Last spring an Israeli newsweekly commissioned David Grossman, a young and popular novelist, to report on the condition and feelings of the 400,000 Palestinians on the West Bank. What had 20 years of occupation wrought? This was eight months or so before the December uprising.

Angry and penetrating — often lyrical and sensitive in word and treatment — *"The Yellow Wind"* is a tormented account of Palestinians and Israelis caught in an inextricable trap. His theme is the brutalization of both parties, the despair of the Palestinians and the erosion of Israeli moral standards. The occupation, he concludes, leads inevitably to mutual hatred and dehumanization. There is no escape. "When two apples touch one another at a single point of decay, the mold spreads over both of them."

Visiting a dimly lit kindergarten, Grossman encounters a 2-year-old with a stick in his hand. The teacher asks, "Who are you shooting at?" The child responds, "Jews."

At the Allenby Bridge, where they routinely cross from Jordan, Palestinians are often strip-searched and often humiliated. The author watched a soldier who, concerned about explosives, had taken apart a doll belonging to a little girl. He was reassembling it in order to return it to her, but was reproved by a senior officer who confiscated the doll and declared that there could be no exception to security rules.

The father of a terrorist had his house levelled because his son had once occupied it. He told Grossman, "If my son murdered, kill him. Kill him immediately! But why have you destroyed my entire life? Why have you made me and my family into beasts? Did I ever do anything like that? Did I ever think like that before? I only wanted to live. Now they have made me like that, too. They have turned me into a murderer."

A Palestinian writer complained that more than 2,000 books are banned on the West Bank and that every word he writes is subject to whimsical censorship.

The book's title comes from an Arab legend, related by an old Palestinian, that one day a yellow wind will come from the gates of hell and set the world afire. People will seek shelter in caves, in caverns. "But even there it finds those it seeks, those who have performed unusual and unjust deeds, and there in the cracks in the boulders it exterminates them, one by one."

No optimist, Grossman is convinced that "it is easier for a man to change his religion, and maybe even his sex, than to change his political opinions."

Many will condemn Grossman's reportage as one-sided, naive and lacking in realism. Isn't Palestinian resistance simply an unwillingness to accept Israel's right to exist, another strategic ploy in the unending struggle for eventual domination?

The author offers no solution, but evidently favors some kind of accommodation with the Palestinians. He despairs of the status quo.

Challenging and disturbing, this painful report by a leading Israeli writer should not be overlooked by anyone interested in the future of Israel.

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Pianist Finkel to accompany Bikel at Boys Town event

TORONTO —

Concert pianist Elliot Finkel will come to Toronto to accompany Theodore Bikel in his performance at the Canadian Founders Dinner of Boys Town Jerusalem, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, June 28.

The renowned pianist has played at New York City's Carnegie Hall, London's Palladium, the Los Angeles Music Centre and the Great Hollywood Bowl.

Finkel has performed with the symphony orchestras of Los Angeles, Minnesota, Baltimore, Dallas and Buffalo, and has given more than 200 recitals in concert halls throughout the US, Canada and Mexico.

Over the years Finkel has been pianist and conductor for Theodore Bikel, Sid Caesar, Ginger Rogers, Roberta Peters, Milton Berle, Herschel Bernardi, and for his father, Fyvush Finkel.

"As a concert artist, Elliot Finkel's talent bridges the gap between the classical and pop music idioms," said a Boys Town spokesman. Included in his performance are not only the classical repertoire, but also the works of Gershwin, Kern, Porter, Broadway show tunes and his own compositions.

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Arts

Overflow audience at Hart House

Annual spring concert chronicles Yiddish life

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —

Yiddish life in Eastern Europe before its destruction in World War II was conveyed in song at the Annual Spring Concert by the Toronto Jewish Folk Choir and Ensemble Singers held recently before an overflow audience at U of T's Hart House.

The performance was highlighted by the choral premiere of Toronto composer Srul Irving Glick's Four Yiddish Songs for Mixed Choir, Viola and Piano, and performed by the choir's Ensemble Singers under the baton of Voltr Ivonoffski.

The evening concert climaxed in a stirring oratorio *Gedenk Mein Folk* (Remember O My People), narrated by Vivian Reis, TV and film actress. The concert featured baritone soloist Daniel Neff, violist Mark Childs, soprano Ursula Ivonoffski, tenor Michael Mandel and Lina Zemelman at the piano.

The 80th anniversary of the death of Alexander Goldfadden was also celebrated with a rendition of his melodies, including his famous lullaby *Rozhinkes mit Mandlen* (Raisins and Almonds), which has become part of Jewish folklore.

The Yiddish themes were established in the first number *Yiddish iz main lied* (Yiddish is my song), which conveyed the warmth and simplicity of Yiddish and has now become the theme song of the Ensemble Singers.

Her nor du shain meidle (Listen pretty little girl) recalled a Sholem Aleichem-like shtetl world, telling about the hardships a young woman is willing to take in order to remain with her lover who travels to a distant land.

Specially poignant was *Bird Song*, a tune based on a poem written anonymously in 1941 by a young girl interred at Terezin concentration camp in Czechoslovakia and who was later to die at the hand of the Nazis.

In fact, the destruction of the Yiddish-speaking world of Eastern Europe by the Nazis was the leitmotif of the moving oratorio *Gedenk Mein Folk* (Remember O My People).

Written by composer Maurice Rauch, with text by Yuri Suhl, the hour-long oratorio told, in emotive Yiddish prose narrated by Vivian Reis and in songs performed by the choir, about the final days of the Warsaw Ghetto before its destruction, and it recounted the heroism of Emmanuel Ringleblum, who chronicled these last days in a diary that was hidden in a tin, buried and not found until after the war.

The concert also expressed the cheerful, humorous side of Jewish life in a collection of songs written by the father of modern Jewish theatre, Alexander Goldfadden (1840-1908). *Koift, koinen*! (Buy, customers!) was one such song which conveyed the sights, sounds and smells of a Jewish market day typical of Eastern Europe shtetls.

The age-old Jewish connection to Eretz Yisrael was expressed in Dinele's Song and *Gekumen iz di tzait* (The time has come), two numbers from Golfadden's famous operetta *Bar Kochba*, which tells the story of the Jewish revolt against Rome. A modern song in Hebrew, *Shirat Hechalil* (Song of the flute), recalled the early Jewish farm settlements in modern Israel.

However, it was the songs written for the performance by Toronto-born Glick which especially touched the audience. The four Yiddish songs, which included the joyful dance *Shpilt a freilech* and the rollicking *A glezele l'chayim* (A toast to life), recalled the joy and sadness of Jewish life in Europe and garnered an ovation for the composer, who acknowledged the cheers and applause of the crowd.

The choir also performed two Canadian songs, one a humorous Newfoundland tune and the other one in French, *La laine des moutons* (The wool of the sheep), which told about the art of woolmaking.

Cantors perform folk songs

Yiddish program reawakens memories

TORONTO —

For the overflow crowd who attended the program An Evening of Yiddish Music held recently at Beth Tzedec Congregation, it mattered little if one's *mameh loshen* (mother tongue) was Yiddish or not.

The spirit of Eastern European Jewish culture before World War II was conveyed in a 2-hour program of Yiddish folk songs performed by three outstanding cantors and the Beth Tzedec Choral Group under the direction of Gordon Kushner.

Cantors Joseph Cooper, of Beth Tzedec Congregation, Isaac Goodfriend Atlanta, and Misha Alexandrovich, of Hollywood, Fla., were the featured cantors.

There were several duets and a finale which had all three cantors together with the Choral Group in a rousing recital of *Zoil Shoin Kumen Di Geulah*, a song which calls for the coming of the redemption. However, the program mostly consisted of each cantor individually singing about a dozen Yiddish songs, some joyous, others mournful, and all telling how Jews lived, talked, argued, worked and prayed in their daily lives.

The life of a tailer was told in *Ot Azoi Neit a Shneider*, the song by the Beth Tzedec Choral Group which opened the concert. It was not the last song of the evening which told about the struggling Jewish craftsman eking out a living.

Alexandrovich's rendition of *Der Furman* conveyed the hardships of a wagon driver. And in a similar spirit, Goodfriend's song *Leb Ich* was a life-affirming one of a man without any luck.

The love which Jewish parents have for their children was expressed in *Unter di Grininke Boimelech*, sung by Cooper. This theme, however, was most soulfully told in several Yiddish lullabies heard that evening, such as Vieglied, sung by Alexandrovich together with the Choral Group.

However, the most poignant moment of the evening came when Cooper began to sing *Mein Mameh*, a song about a Jewish child's love for his mother, which Cooper said, he learned in a concentration camp and which he "dedicated to all the Jewish mothers who perished in the camps." There was hardly a dry eye in the house when the song concluded.

On the lively side, the joys of a Jewish wedding were expressed by Goodfriend's raucous *A Yiddishe Chasene*. The Beth Tzedec Choral Group's rendering of *Nigun Talmidei Besht* and the sprightly *Yiddish Tanz* were two other rollicking tunes which expressed the Jewish capacity for joy.

Striking a humorous note, was *Vei Azoi Lebt a Keisser*, sung by Alexandrovich, as well as his rendition of *A Pastuch'l*, which told the story of a shepherd, mixing Russian words and sung in a *chazzanishe* style.

The concert was coordinated by Barbara Kelman. Piano accompaniment was provided by Gordon Kushner and Brahm Goldhamer. In attendance that evening were Joseph and Fay Firestone, who provide the endowment for the concert to be held annually. — **A.K.**

Concert honors Soviet Jews

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Music lovers paid tribute to all Soviet Jews at the recent inaugural concert of the Musica Beth Tikvah Concert Series.

Featuring Soviet emigre guest artists, the concert was the first of what Beth Tikvah expects to be a long series of such events with major Jewish content.

Prominent Toronto musician Srul Irving Glick told the audience that "a concert of Jewish music is a rare occasion and I am quite excited about the series."

He said that Beth Tikvah will be presenting music that is very Jewish in content as well as music by Jewish composers that is not necessarily Jewish sounding. "There is a certain feeling to Jewish music and we want to present a wide perspective," he said.

The inaugural concert featured Senia Trubashnik on the oboe, Victor Danchenko on the violin, singer Leonid Kaprinsky, and Vera Danchenko and Valerie Tryon on the piano. They performed a broad spectrum of music including Yiddish songs, folk songs, chassidic music and Hebrew and Sephardi melodies.

The first piece, a Hebrew melody for violin and piano by Russian composer Joseph Achron, was dedicated to the four Refusenik families who have been adopted by Beth Tikvah Synagogue. In *Abi Gezunt*, a Yiddish piece with music by Abraham Ellstein and words by Molly Picon, we were told that "air is free and sun shines for rich and poor alike, as long as you're healthy."

Other pieces included the Baal Shem Suite, by Ernst Bloch, a chassidic suite for violin and piano; *Artza Alinu* and *Yish'michu Hashamayim*, a folk song medley; a *Sonata for Oboe and Piano*, by Srul Irving Glick; and *T'fkilt Shalom*, a prayer for peace for violin and piano by Murray Adaskin.

Spirit Sings exhibit will come to Ottawa

OTTAWA —

The Spirit Sings, the internationally acclaimed exhibition of native artifacts that has already drawn over 100,000 visitors during a 4-month run in Calgary, is coming to Ottawa June 30 to November 6, under the auspices of the Canadian Museum of Civilization.

Described by the museum as "a rich and intensely moving experience," *The Spirit Sings* brings together for the first and only time the finest surviving examples of native art dating from the era of early European contact. These rare objects were dispersed around the world at the time of European exploration, fur trade and colonization during the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

Many of the over 650 artifacts are on loan from institutions and private collections in more than 20 countries.

The exhibition will be presented by the CMC in the Lorne Building, Elgin and Slater streets, the former home of the National Gallery of Canada.

Related programming in Ottawa is planned and guided tours for groups, demonstrations of dance, music and crafts, and readings of Indian literary works will complement the exhibition.

Correction

A headline on Gallery Gatherings (CJN June 9) stated incorrectly that the Inuit Gallery of Eskimo Art is at Harbourfront. In fact, the Inuit Gallery is located at 9 Prince Arthur Ave., Toronto. The CJN regrets the error.

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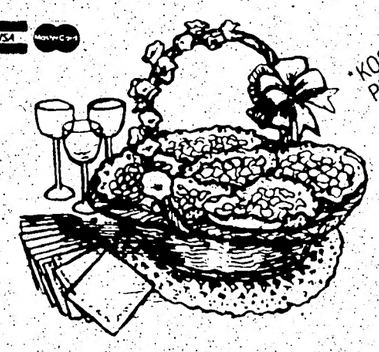
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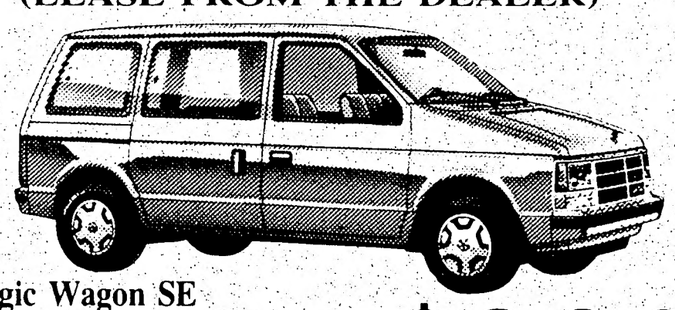
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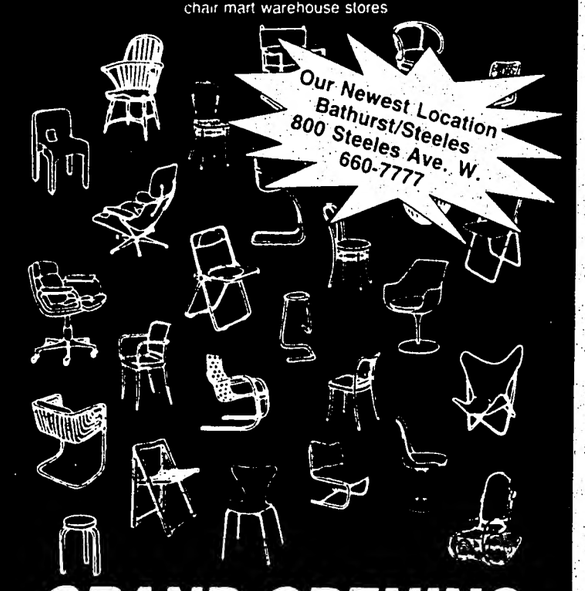

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Showbiz Mishmash

Critic's box score puts Stratford's King Lear no. 1

By
FRANK RASKY

What makes the Stratford Festival so exciting are the entries that invariably surprise you, astonish you, and make you argue with the judgments of the certified theatre critics.

I intend to present extended reviews of some of them in later editions of The CJN. Meanwhile, for the sake of those now planning to attend the Festival's 36th season, I offer my box score of mini-reviews of productions staged in the opening week.

I've listed them in my own order of preference if I were advising a friend who could only attend a limited number of the eight opening productions. I've done so keeping in mind that there was something to like — whether they were individual performances, directorial touches, or certain dramatic scenes — that enhanced the most lacklustre of the plays.

No doubt you'll disagree with some of my assessments, and I hope you do. There's nothing like playing the game of one-upmanship with a so-called expert, and gloating over how wrong the dunderhead may be.

Whether right or wrong, here's my box score of Stratford's best plays to see, in descending order.

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No. 1 is **William Shakespeare's** *King Lear*, starring **William Hutt** in the title role and brilliantly directed by **Robin Phillips**. It's the Bard's greatest tragedy after *Hamlet*, and this subtle, understated production is a monumental tribute to the genius of its creator.

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No. 2 is director **Richard Monette's** wild, wacky, and wonderfully off-the-wall version of the Shakespearean comedy, *The Taming Of The Shrew*. Call it *Kiss Me Kate* without music, and you wouldn't be far wrong.

Monette has set his battle-of-the-sexes farce in Italy's *dolce vita* era of the 1950s. His Kate is *Goldie Semple*, a tempestuous, spoiled brat of a wench, so unruly that she enjoys pulling the ears off the teddy bear owned by her peroxided bimbo of a sister, **Kim Horsman**. The Petruchio who succeeds in taming Kate is the machismo **Colm Feore**, who drives onstage in a fire-engine red, Fiat-like sportscar set on the body of a golf cart, and who performs sexily like a young Paul Newman.

Keep an eye out for **Scott Wentworth**, who almost steals the show as a finger-snapping, gum-chewing, hip chauffeur in sun glasses. Shakespeare purists may howl with indignation, but I howled with laughter.

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No. 3 is *Twelfth Night*, also directed with graceful delicacy and subtlety by **Robin Phillips** at the Festival's Third Stage for the Young Company of Players. It's one of Shakespeare's most charming romantic comedies, involving confused identities, mixed-up twins and rustic humor.

It stars **Nancy Palk**, who was one of the best performers last year as Rosalind in Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. Here she portrays the shipwrecked Viola, who assumes the guise of a duke's male servant while she seeks her supposedly drowned twin brother. She falls in love with the love-sick duke **(Kevin Gudahl)** while wooing on his behalf the Lady Olivia **(Susan Coyne)** who in turn has fallen for the seemingly virile, 6-foot-tall Viola.

Goldie Semple

Lucy Peacock

Nancy Palk

Bernard Hopkins

Colm Feore

It all ends happily, of course, with the couples suitably mated. But not before Viola has a hilarious duel with an equally cowardly swordsman, Sir Andrew Aguecheek (played with a broad Scottish accent and an erzatz tartan kilt by **John Omerod**).

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No. 4 is *My Fair Lady*, the **Alan Jay Lerner-Frederick Loewe** musical version of **George Bernard Shaw's** *Pygmalion*. Personally, I would have preferred to have seen a video of the movie spectacular, because **Rex Harrison** and **Audrey Hepburn** put their personal stamp on the two star roles so memorably.

However, this stage revival, co-directed by **Jean Gascon** and **James de B. Domville**, has been Stratford's major box office draw thus far. So it obviously appeals to the nostalgia set, intent on comparing their memories of the film with this Stratford adaptation.

They'll be happy, because Stratford artistic director **John Neville** as Henry Higgins and Canadian actress **Lucy Peacock** as the Cockney flower girl Eliza Doolittle, though no great shakes as singers, follow the film script characterizations exactly.

The most delightful innovation is the performance of veteran Stratford thespian **Douglas Campbell** in the comic role of Alfie Doolittle, the dustman. His dance version of *With A Little Bit Of Luck* and *Get Me To The Church On Time* is a combination of music hall high-jinks, Falstaff doing a jig, and Ralph Kramden doing a buck-and-wing vaudeville routine. It's a flawed musical, but with its lavish **Richard Seger** sets, lush **Lewis Brown** costumes, and seductive tunes, it's also, as the Cockneys say, quite luverly, ducky.

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No. 5 is director **Brian Rintoul's** production of *Richard III*, which received the most advance publicity and proved to be the most disappointing of the Shakespearean classics.

As I'll point out in my more detailed review later, it fails chiefly because of the deficiencies of **Colm Feore** in the title role. He makes his Richard Crookback a 1-dimensional villain, who slithers across the stage like a scorpion, and is further implausible because he has no feel for the music in Shakespeare's poetry.

However, there are some ingenious directorial touches, as at the closing of the first act. After piously pretending to be religious, the hypocrite accepts his appointment as king, and when the crowd has departed, he triumphantly flings to the floor the wooden cross he has been clutching.

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No. 6 is *All's Well That Ends Well*, a 3rd-rate Shakespearean comedy which is so heavy-handed in its humor that some critics believe it was not written by Shakespeare at all.

Other scholars maintain that Shakespeare borrowed its implausible plot from **Boccaccio's** *Decameron*, and then rewrote the tale hastily in dramatic form merely because it offered a juicy role for the lead comic actor of his Globe Theatre troupe.

Whoever the author might have been, it certainly lacks the sparkle of Shakespeare's later polished comedies. It deals with schoolmarmish yet determined orphan Helena **(Lucy Peacock)** who connives to get her man, the caddish, snobbish Count Bertram **(Nigel Hammer)**, even if it means switching roles with the current bed mate the Lothario is trying to seduce.

The unsavory tale is made palatable thanks to the jovial comedy of **Bernard Hopkins** in the role of the count's swaggering, cowardly companion, Parolles. There are great belly laughs in the risque debate he has with Helena on the questionable value of virginity, which he considers a form of self-love. "To speak on behalf of virginity," the sly fellow argues, "is to accuse your own mother."

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No. 7 is *The Two Gentlemen From Verona*, a 5th-rate, even earlier apprentice comedy which Shakespeare must have tossed off in his sleep.

Filled with tedious puns, it concerns a band of Robin Hood-style bandits, women masquerading as men, and four mixed-up, bubble-headed young lovers **(John Wojda, Henry Czerny, Kim Horsman** and **Peggy Coffey)**. The plot complications are so boring they left me snoring for most of the evening.

I woke up only on the entrance of **Bernard Hopkins**, who again rescued the dull proceedings with his inspired comedy. His droll conversations with a droopy-eyed dog named Crab Apple were the cause of much merriment.

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No. 8 is *Murder In The Cathedral*, **T. S. Eliot's** 1935 verse drama. Alas, even the presence of **Bernard Hopkins** in the role of the first priest couldn't enliven director **David William's** starchy and over-reverential tribute to **Thomas Becket**, Archbishop of Canterbury, who in 1170 was stabbed to death in his Catholic cathedral by four land-owning supporters of England's King Henry II.

Nicholas Pennell, one of Stratford's finest actors, expends his considerable talents in trying to humanize the martyred Becket. Unfortunately, this high-toned, untheatrical piece of non-drama seems actor-proof, as dreary as a sermon delivered by Eliot's pretentious, middle-class London suburbanite, from another verse of his, *Prufrock*.

Perhaps this static, but ritualized, choral chant might appeal to a specialized audience. But if you want to see a genuinely exciting dramatization of the stormy conflict between King Henry and the Archbishop, I recommend the 1964 film version of **Jean Anouilh's** *Becket*.

It co-starred **Richard Burton** and **Peter O'Toole**, and featured a dazzling British cast that included **John Gielgud, Donald Wolfit, Felix Aylmer, Martita Hunt** and **Pamela Browne**, and it made this historic dispute between the law of man and the law of God come alive with wit and verve and profundity.

I hope that the Festival will revive *that* version of the Becket murder some day.

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My exit line this week comes from the 1955 play *The Lark* by that same French playwright, **Jean Anouilh**: "Every man thinks that God is on his side. The rich and powerful *know* he is."

Soviets will publish Sholom Aleichem works

MOSCOW —

A 6-volume collection of works in Russian by Sholom Aleichem (1859-1916) is planned for publication in the Soviet Union.

Presentation of the first two volumes took place at the Moscow-based Khudozhestvennaya Literatura Publishing House, which specializes in Russian and world classics.

"Sholom Aleichem is the most popular and cherished Jewish author," says Moisei Belenki, who is compiling the collection. "It is the third such publication in the years of Soviet power. Practically all of his works have been published in this country in Yiddish and Russian. Plays based on his works have been, and are being, staged by many Soviet theatres and shown on television."

The new edition includes Sholom Aleichem's epistolary legacy, which distinguishes it from the previous editions. His granddaughter, American writer Bel Kaufman, has put dozens of his letters at the disposal of the Soviet publishers.

In the USSR, according to Novosti Press Agency, Sholom Aleichem's books have been published more than 500 times in Yiddish, Russian, and other languages. The total number of copies tops 10 million.

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Travel

Winnipeg park stirs memories

By
EARLE BEATTIE

WINNIPEG —
One balmy day in 1939 before the war, three of us in Winnipeg got on bicycles and went for a ride in Assiniboine Park on the western side of the city.

We rode along a path blithely and then came to a coulee or ravine, as they are called elsewhere. It had a fairly steep bank with a narrow board bridging the gap between downslope and upslope. But we decided in our youthful derring-do that we could ride down one bank and up the other without mishap.

My friend, Joe, was first, and easily sailed across the narrow board at the bottom and up the other side. I was next and fortunately maneuvered over the 6-inch wide board too. It was the girl's turn next and she, game for anything that boys could do, headed her bike down the slope. But she missed the bridge at the bottom, and we viewed the scene with horror as she went flying over the handlebars and her face imbedded in the opposite bank as she landed with a thud.

She lay immobile and speechless and so the two of us raced down and carried her up to the top after clearing the mud from her mouth. Luckily we found a taxi and took her to the nearest hospital. It was a dismal end to our outing in Assiniboine Park.

The girl's mother arrived from a nearby Manitoba town and a few hours later we learned she had suffered a concussion but had regained consciousness. The only way to help, we decided, would be for me to sell my bicycle, a strong double-bar model — my pride and joy and only asset. I got, as I remember, $30, hardly enough to defray the medical bill.

That incident was to remain in my memory, as it turned out the girl was not the only one to fall head over heels in the park. I married her a few years later. We had six children over the years.

Assiniboine Park is more than just a park for Winnipeggers and their visitors. It is an institution catering to a wide range of people who love the outdoors, whether it is bicycle-riding, cricket, barbecuing, hiking along nature trails, cross-country skiing or bobsledding in winter and field hockey.

For others who are not quite so athletic, there is a zoo in the centre of the park. Also, there is a conservatory of flowers on one side, an English garden, and wilderness areas, plus playing fields, lawn tennis, lawn bowling and picnicking.

For the winter sportsman, sleight riding, hiking trails and pleasure-skating are available. Miniature steam trains and carriages provide ways of transversing this huge park and enjoying its sights and sounds.

Whatever the activity, the Winnipeg parks and recreation department is in charge of this people-centred little empire and several others. It was purchased in 1903 of woodland and dairy pasture on the western side of Winnipeg along the south side of the Assiniboine River. It lies between Charleswood and River Heights.

Thousands of exotic plants and trees of a non-native quality grow in the conservatory, which is open free of charge and visited by some 2 million people each year. The trees and flowers grown profusely in the Palm House and Display Garden are on the south side.

Music fills the air most summer evenings when a permanent stage swings into action. It was erected in 1985. Towards the north of the park and on one side of the long pedestrian foot bridge from Portage Ave. is the popular duck and wild fowl pond which, during the winter, becomes a colorful ice-skating rink.

Assiniboine Park zoo, due to be expanded this year, contains over 1,200 animals, both native and exotic from a panther to a polar bear. In the Tropical House there are various free-flying birds, monkeys and reptiles from tropical forests.

For the children, a wide variety of baby animals can be enjoyed in Aunt Sally's farm in Assiniboine between 10 a.m. and sundown from mid-June to Labor Day.

The casual visitor may encounter many other activities such as dancing in the park, concerts with occasionally the Winnipeg Symphony, Festival Manitoba showings, a car show, art works and Canada Day celebrations. As I walked through the park recently, I thought it was nice that it was still all there and more, although I could not help reflecting on the sad bicycle accident so long ago.

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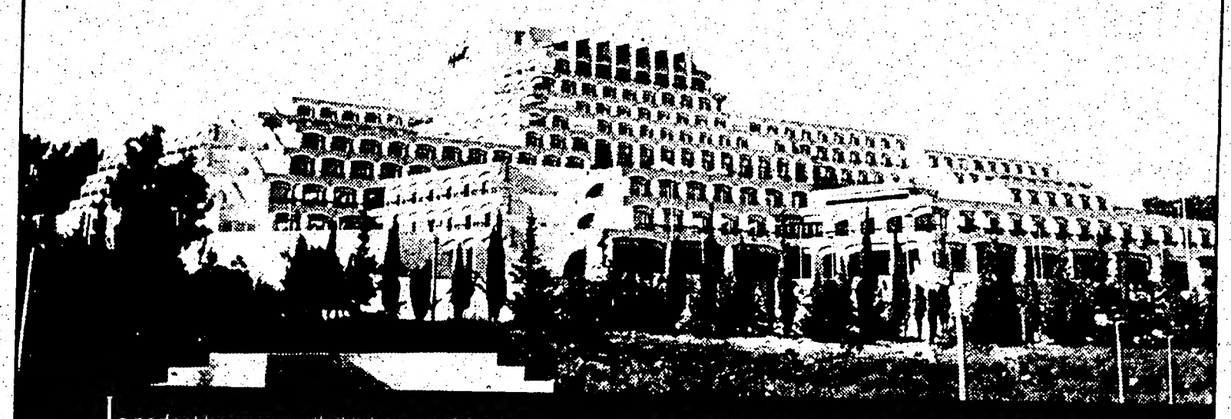

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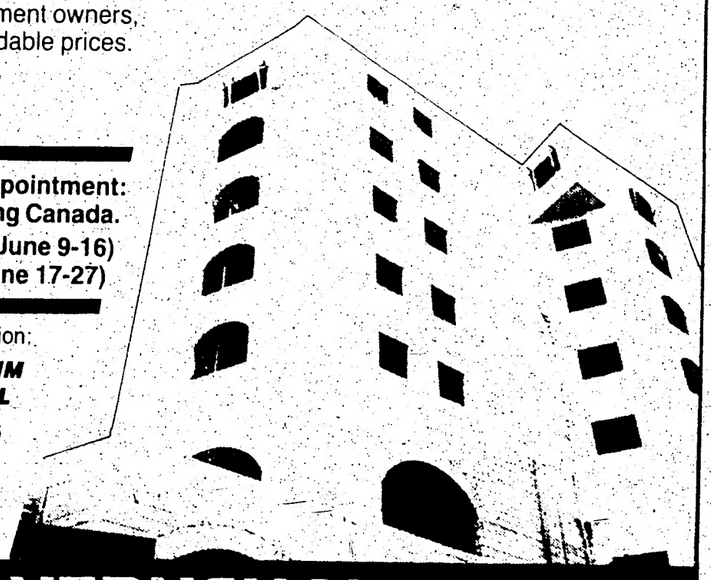
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Woodcarving is a major craft on the south shore of the St. Lawrence River in Quebec.

Artisans gather in Que. town

Woodcarving lures tourists

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

ST. JEAN PORT JOLI, Que. —

This picturesque town nestled on the south shore of the St. Lawrence River, not far east of Quebec City, is the woodcarving centre of the province. Here, since 1936, have settled many woodcarvers, potters, weavers and other artisans.

Wooden statues and scenes stand near the homes just off the main highway to the Gaspe region.

Here you can spend hours, as this travel reporter discovered, visiting the homes and craft shops in the town. Some of the homes have been turned into small museums to woodcarving, like that of the Bourgault family, who were the first to do this work here.

There is another museum of old Canadian artists where local history is interpreted through the carvings of the Bourgault clan and the relationship of the sea to the people living in the area. Another home has been turned into a museum of weaving, with looms, spinning wheels, and agricultural and industrial machinery.

This south shore area has much more French-Canadian history for the summer vacationer to see. At nearby L'Islet-sur-Mer is a museum dedicated to Captain Joseph Bernier, who was born here. Early this century he claimed some of the most northern Arctic islands for Canada. It is one of the major maritime museums in the country dealing especially with Arctic exploration.

Close by is the small industrial town of Montmagny, one of the oldest communities in the area. There are art galleries, 18th century homes, some of which are open to visitors, and each autumn there is a Snow Goose Festival because tens of thousands of snow geese stop here on their way south to winter preserves after nesting in northern parts of Quebec province and the Arctic islands. Bird watchers and hunters come here to shoot the geese with camera or by licenced gun.

Further east is Riviere du Loup from where there is ferry service to the north shore. But don't leave this community without seeing the eight waterfalls on the Loup River which drops almost 300 feet (91 metres) over a short distance here as it flows into the St. Lawrence. There are summer sports and music festivals in this town, which dates back to 1673.

Here there are lighthouses for ocean steamers which come up the river, and if you come in spring you may see seals which swim upriver from the Newfoundland area.

The ferry takes you across the wide river to St. Simeon, from where the main highway goes westward to Quebec City, eastward to Tadoussac.

Tadoussac is where the St. Lawrence and the Saguenay rivers meet. In this area during the summer months you can take short cruises to watch whales; 10 species of these largest marine mammals come here each year. Some of the cruise boats have naturalists on board to describe the various species, largest of which are the blue whales which can be 98 feet (30 metres) in length.

At nearby Ste. Catherine you can also board cruises for the Saguenay River, a fjord-like waterway with very steep wooded hills and bare stone walls. It is one of the most scenic waterways in Canada, rivalled only by the Pacific coast area of southern British Columbia.

Westward towards Quebec City there are many places to visit, including La Malbaie, also known as Murray Bay, a resort area made famous in early 20th century years as the summer home of the rich of Canada and the United States. Here U.S. President Howard Taft had his summer home, and cruise ships used to bring the elite to summer homes and hotels. Some of these hostelries are still in existence, set on bluffs overlooking the wide St. Lawrence.

Both sides of the river were settled by the French in the 17th and 18th centuries. The French language predominates in this region, as does French Canadian cooking. There are many small hotels and motels on both sides of the river.

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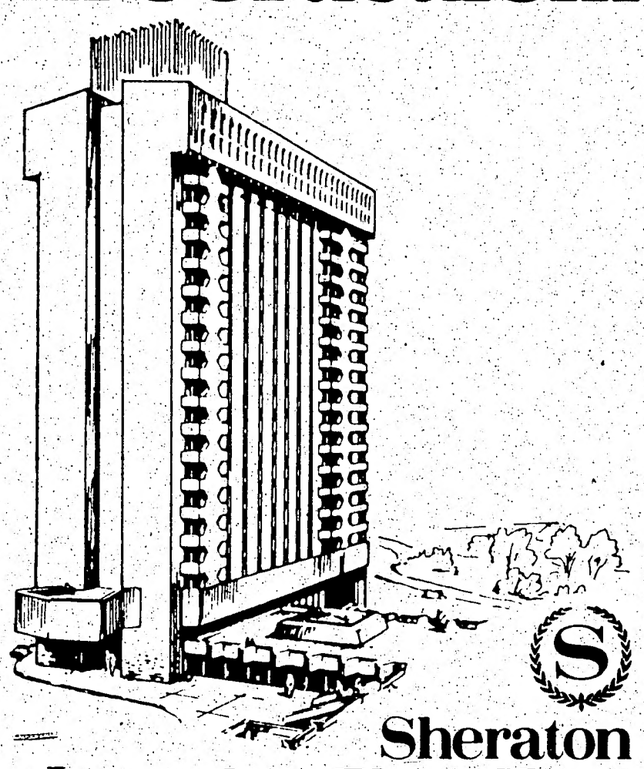

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Women-only canoe trips offered in Algonquin Park

TORONTO —

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Canadian Wilderness Trips representative Elizabeth Van Ryn says that past participants have included working professionals, tradeswomen, students, and more than just a few housewives.

"For many women, this is an opportunity to get away from it all no matter what their occupation may be. The trip has always appealed to many older women who have finished with the job of bringing up families and consider the idea of doing a canoe trip exciting, very different, and perhaps a bit challenging. Above all, it is something that they can do on their own."

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The week-long trips take place June 26-July 3 and July 17-July 24.

Canadian Wilderness Trips has other canoeing programs that are suitable for older folks. The Algonquin Park Outdoor School offers a selection of trips that combine canoeing with instruction in photography, yoga, landscape painting, creative writing, birdwatching, and woodsmanship. A different trip runs each week during July and August at a cost of $349 per person.

For more information, call or write for a free brochure: Canadian Wilderness Trips, 187 College St., Toronto M5T 1P7 (416) 977-3703.

Queen's Quay will hold 3rd arts festival

TORONTO —

If you're in the market for original artwork this summer, Queen's Quay Terminal is the place to go.

Quayside 88, is the Queen's Quay 3rd annual summer-long arts festival, set outdoors on the beautiful water's edge. With an atmosphere similar to a European artists walk, it has become a popular stroll for Toronto residents and visitors.

The artwork on display covers a wide range of styles from traditional to experimental, featuring florals, landscapes and vibrant abstracts. You'll find oil paintings, watercolors, pencil drawings, original prints, sculpture, ceramics, fibre art, glass and folk art.

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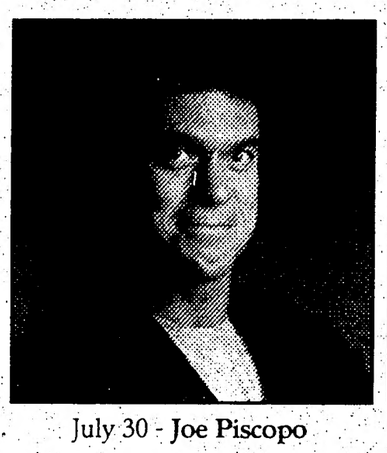
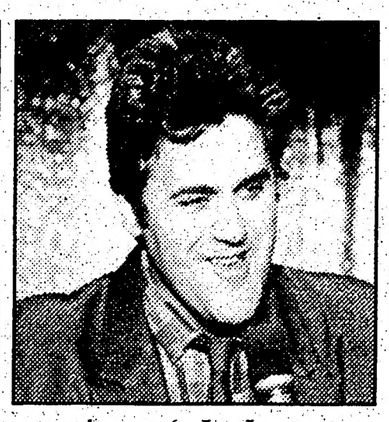
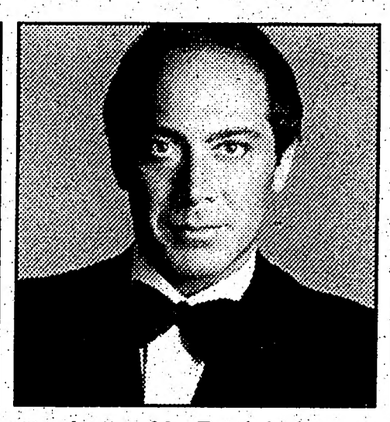


July 30 - **Joe Piscopo**



August 6 - **Jay Leno**

August 13 - **Smokey Robinson**



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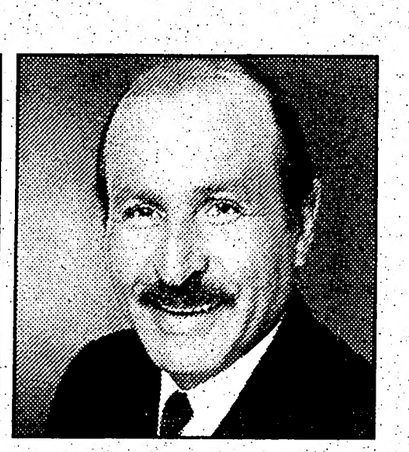

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6 Condominiums For Rent

Bathurst/Clark - Promenade - luxury 2 bedrooms + sunden, 2 full bathrooms, south view, 5 appliances. July 15. $1,200. 731-3270.

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7 Condominiums For Rent/Sale

Bathurst/Promenade - 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, brand new from July 1st. Rent $600 (first month). 633-3345.

9 Accommodation Available

Furnished room and private bath available for mature, non-smoking female. Bathurst/Finch area. 483-5100.

Room for rent in house, prefer female non-smoker. Kosher home, close to Bathurst, close to York. 665-4049.

Bathurst/Lawrence - Furnished clean room, share kosher kitchen & bath. Suit female or student, $240/month. 789-9608.

Dufferin/Finch - Room in house, kosher kitchen, mature non-smoker, female preferred, close to York University. $350. Call Marilyn, 270-9500, day or evening.

10 Accommodation Wanted

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Room and board for retired elderly gentleman. Preferably Bathurst/Wilson area. After 6 p.m. 731-1840, or 731-1316.

Journalism graduate student looking for female roommate/apartment. Messages 690-6857.

11 Shared Accommodation

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Female graduate student looking to find and share apartment in Boston with female student. Call Judy after 5 p.m. 1-627-7908.

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12 Apartments For Rent

Fraserwood/Spadina-Expressway - 3 bedroom, 2 bath, backyard, parking, 6-plex. 783-8431, 886-5515.

Short term - Furnished 1 bedroom plus solarium, steps to Yorkville. July 15 - October 31. $1,500/month. 926-0534.

Wilmington/Finch - Clean, unfurnished bachelor apartment, parking, laundry facilities, near synagogues. Suitable for quiet female. 635-6496.

Bathurst/Finch - Furnished bachelor apartment, non-smoker. 665-4095.

13 Cottages For Rent

Lakefront cottage on Lake Simcoe — Big Cedar Point, 4 bedrooms, fully furnished. 447-6241, after 3 p.m.

Jackson's Point - 2 bedroom, June 15 - August 15. 782-7719 after 6:00 p.m.

21 Israel Properties

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Tel Aviv - Central - 2 bedroom apartment, furnished, air-conditioned. Available July and August. 226-2903, 782-4028.

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28 Announcements

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29 Social Announcements

Petes - Steven and Pascale are happy to announce the birth of their daughter Audrey Michelle on May 30, 1988. The proud grandparents are George and Mary Petes, and Isaac and Colette Obersy. Special thanks to Dr. Derek Nicholson.

34 Employment Opportunities

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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **YEHUDA KIRSCHNER** will take place on Sunday, June 19th, 12 noon at Pardes Shalom Cemetery, Dufferin, Major Mackenzie, B'nai Torah Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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Disabled transit funding boosted

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
The Ontario government has allocated an additional $50 million over five years to increase specialized transit services for disabled persons.

Provincial transportation Minister Ed Fulton said this new funding, including $8.2 million in the current 1988-89 fiscal year, will result in an additional 125 buses for the disabled. This will bring the total number of special buses for the disabled operated directly by the 63 participating municipalities to 525 — an increase of 30%.

Fulton said the additional funding will also allow for the increased use of microcomputers for greater efficiencies in dispatching and improved availability of trips to adjacent municipalities.

"With this additional funding assistance, it is estimated that a total of 2.3 million trips will be provided for disabled persons in the participating municipalities across Ontario," the minister said.

Accessible taxi service

Fulton said his ministry will also be expanding the provincial eligibility guideline beyond the current "unable-to-board" regular transit vehicles to recognize those with other mobility problems which preclude their use of conventional transit.

He said this new guideline will be finalized through consultation with municipalities, operators and groups representing persons with disablities. The expected deadline is September 1988, with full implementation expected by January 1991.

Fulton said another program that is advancing rapidly is the provision of accessible taxi service for the disabled. The first one has been running in Sudbury for nearly three months now and many other communities, including Ottawa, Markham, Richmond Hill and Pearson International Airport, are planning to introduce accessible taxis.

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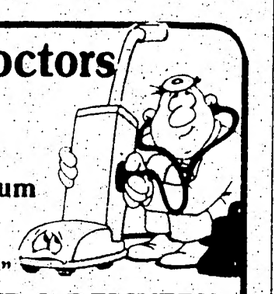
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Money woes, cures discussed

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — The psychological perils of money, financial planning and marriage contracts were topics scrutinized at a recent women's seminar on money management sponsored by the Toronto Jewish Congress Endowment Fund.

Psychologist Norm Forman led off by declaring that whether we like it or not, money becomes closely identified with who and what we are. It causes rifts in friendships and damages love.

"It is probable that people have done more injuries to each other in the name of money than for any other reason," said the author of Mind Over Money.

One of the perils of money is keeping up with the Joneses, which can kill you emotionally. Forman quoted a psychotherapist who says, "It is as dangerous to equate self-esteem with financial worth as it is to peg one's libido to the Dow Jones industrial average roller coaster."

He described wealthy patients with an "edifice complex" of penthouses in the sky who are lonely in their numerous rooms. They lack love and therefore can never have enough money. A healthy sense of self-love, she affirmed, is better than money in the bank.

People differ drastically in their attitudes toward money, said Forman. Those who are most satisfied with their financial situation are not necessarily the ones with the highest income.

Of all neuroses, that involving money is probably most widespread, Forman believes. Money is equated with love, self-worth, power. Someone lacking affection may try to buy love. Another attempts to feel important by purchasing the "external appearance of worthwhileness."

And in one of the most common equations, money equals power. Individuals use funds to try to gain control over the lives of others, he said.

Forman maintained that the management of money is really the management of self. To manage yourself and thereby your money more effectively, you need to understand your personal psychology of money. Money neurotics tend to value currency for what it represents: status, power, affection.

He said that people who are psychologically free in their attitudes toward money, value it for what it can buy — goods and services.

Registered financial planner Judy Stark used a cartoon to illustrate the need for professional advice in managing money. One man was telling another. "It wasn't the high interest rates and the lousy economy that made me go under. Truth is, I didn't know what the hell I was doing."

A financial planner, Stark explained, will help you organize your affairs and direct you to proper investment.

How do you choose such a person? Look for someone who is caring toward your needs, reliable, competent, and has satisfactory credentials such as regular membership in CAFP, the Canadian Association of Financial Planners, she said.

What about fees? You may need just one consultation for a particular problem, or you may want ongoing advice, Stark said. Hourly rates can be from $50 to $250, and contractual rates can range from $800 to $5,000.

She added that people can obtain CAFP's Consumer Guide to Financial Planning, by writing to CAFP, 120 Eglinton Ave. E., Suite 111, Toronto M4P 1E2, phone: 481-1225.

A marriage contract is not romantic, says lawyer Angie Hamilton, but it helps to avoid the pitfalls of the new Family Law Act, legislated in 1986.

The former act made a distinction between family assets such as a house, car, furniture; and non-family assets, RRSPs, bonds, stocks, Hamilton says. The family assets were to be split equally on separation or divorce, but the non-family assets went to the person who owned the investments, generally the husband. There were no rights under this act on the death of a spouse.

In today's Family Law Act, all increase in wealth is to be equally divided on separation or divorce, Hamilton says. And on the death of a spouse, she adds, the survivor can elect to follow the will of the deceased, or the provisions of the legislation.

However, despite the fact that the new act was brought in to provide a more equitable distribution of assets, and particularly to protect women, there are problems.

For example, Hamilton said, if a husband comes into a marriage with $1 million and on separation still has $1 million, but the wife comes in with nothing and accumulates $300,000, the increase of his assets is nil, whereas hers is $300,000.

Since the increase must be equally divided, she will have to pay him $150,000, even though he may want out of the union to marry a younger girl.

There are numerous traps in dealing with an inheritance or gift. Hamilton said that if you inherit substantial amounts before marriage, you are a prime candidate for a marriage contract.

She said a marriage contract is also important in protecting a matrimonial home — house, cottage, trailer, yacht — owned by one spouse at the time of marriage.

Above all, Hamilton stressed, if you are marrying, know what your rights and obligations are under the act and be aware that a marriage contract generally supersedes the legislation.

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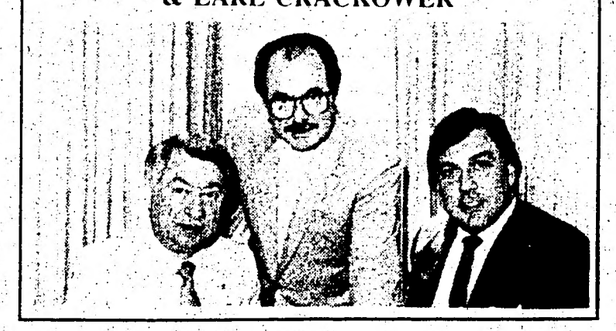
The Readers Ask:
By MURRAY SHERR, BUNNY BERGSTEIN & EARL CRACKOWER



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Question: You wrote in the April 14 CJN that a person over age 65 can deduct $255 as an income tax credit if he has a pension or an annuity income when filing for 1988 tax year. Why can I not deduct this if I receive CPP and OAS? Will I get this credit if I withdrew $1,000 in cash from my RRSP?

Answer: Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Security are benefits from the federal government which are fully taxable and they do not, in themselves, qualify for the pension income deduction.

A pension from work will qualify a person for the $255 tax credit at any age. Annuity income qualifies for the PID at age 65. There are, however, two exceptions to the rule. If a person is under age 65 **and** receives CPP because of a spouse benefit or disability benefit, he can qualify for the $255 tax credit. The CPP income in itself is not deductible but the first $1,000 of income from an annuity will qualify.

Therefore, if you are in this situation, you must arrange for a $1,000 per year annuity and you will get the $255 tax credit. This credit may also be had from RRIFs, but the formula is much more difficult and it takes a lot more money to arrange it that way than by an annuity.

As for taking $1,000 out of your RRSP, forget it. That would be a cash withdrawal and therefore fully taxable in the year you receive it. That adds tax instead of reducing it.

The pension income deduction is a straight tax savings of $255. If you qualify, do not fail to take advantage of it. We know it sounds complicated, but it really isn't.

Question: I understand that up to $41,000 can be derived tax exempt from investments in Canadian corporations, provided no other income is obtained from any other investment source such as property, bank certificates, etc. Would Canada Pension and Old Age Security disqualify this privilege? Would an RRSP or RIF do likewise?

Answer: Thank you for your timely question. We assume that you are referring to dividend income from Canadian corporations. This type of income does receive special treatment in the Income Tax Act, however the rules have changed as a result of the Wilson tax reform proposals. To best answer your question, let's examine the 1988 proposed treatment of dividends.

Dividends are grossed-up by 25%. This grossed-up income is added to all your other income. After all the usual exemptions and deductions are taken, income tax is calculated on the taxable income. The resultant tax is then reduced by a dividend credit.

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Therefore, if you have about $20,000 of dividend income only and no other income, it would be tax free. However, if you have other income, including annuities, CPP, OAS, pensions, etc., it will have the effect of eroding the dividend tax credit.

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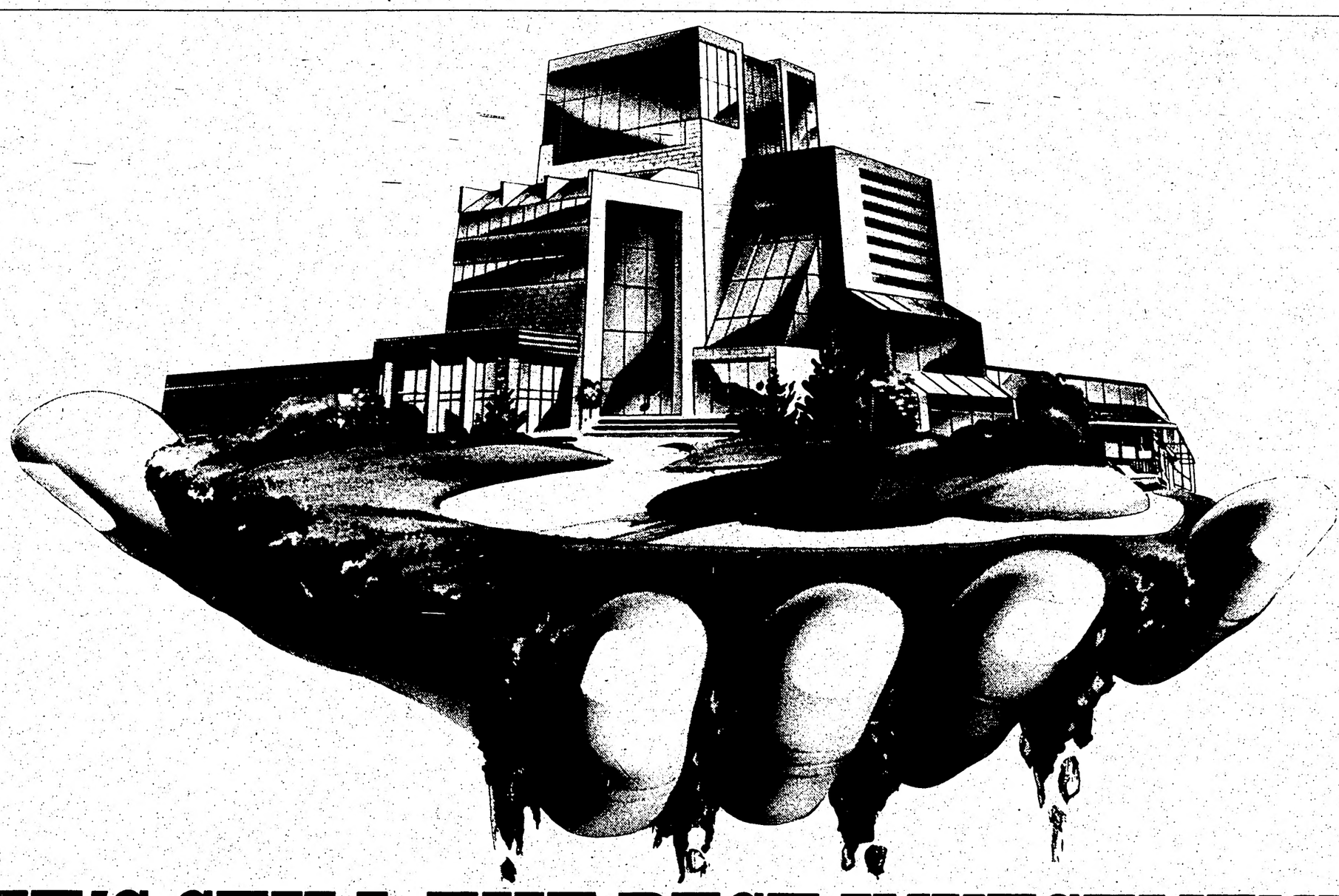

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